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## BOMBING PLANES TURN TIDE.

## KWANGSI'S MAIN ARMY ROUTED.

## PEI CHUNG-HSI WOUNDED AND RIVAL KILLED.

## HEAVY CASUALTIES.

Canton, May 22. Yesterday's reports of a decisive victory by the Canton Army over the Kwangsi troops near Lupa have now been definitely confirmed.

The action yesterday was somewhat indecisive, but to-day it has been turned into a complete victory for the Cantonese forces.

It appears that the deciding factor in the battle was the arrival of ten aeroplanes from Canton who proceeded to bomb the Kwangsi troops. It is said with great accuracy.

The Cantonese claim to have taken over five thousand prisoners and say that seventy per cent. of the main Kwangsi Army has been either killed, wounded or taken prisoner. The remainder are retiring in disorder towards the north-west.

General Pei Chung-shi, Commander of the Kwangsi forces, is reported to have been wounded, but to have escaped.

A large number of wounded has been seen arriving in Canton all day yesterday and to-day. —Our Own Correspondent.

### Fatshan Menaced.

Canton, May 22. A number of Kwangsi troops are again menacing Fatshan, a city not far from Canton. The Canton military authorities claim that they will be able to hold out against the enemy.

There is a lull in the operations on the North River sector, both sides being tired of fighting, after a struggle lasting nearly two days. —*Nan Chung Kuo News Service*.

### Loss of Walchow Denied.

Canton, May 22. Canton military authorities deny that Walchow, on the East River front, has again fallen into the hands of the enemy.

According, however, to a report from the pro-Kwangsi source, Brigadier Li Mu-chi, formerly of the Cantonese Army, has again occupied Walchow and is proceeding down to Sheklong to prevent the passage of Chan Chai-long's main forces in case they evacuate Canton.

### Those Transports.

Canton authorities are assuring the populace that six army transports with Nanking troops are expected at Canton soon and there will be no danger of invasion by Kwangsi forces.

Authorities at Fatshan are ordering all shops recently closed in anticipation of the arrival of Kwangsi troops to reopen. Many shops are said to be unwilling to resume business, fearing another invasion by the enemy. Up to the time of writing, the report of Fatshan again having fallen into the hands of Kwangsi troops has not been confirmed. —*Nan Chung Kuo News Service*.

### Details of Battle.

Canton, May 22. Although operations have not been ceased along the Northern and Eastern fronts, the fighting lines have evidently moved farther away from the city. According to the latest report, General Pei Chung-hsi, who personally directed the operations on the Northern front, was wounded in one of his hands on Tuesday.

Details of Tuesday's battle show that large forces of Kwangsi troops, headed by General Pei, launched a general attack on the Canton forces who were holding a strong position at Parknel, on the left bank of the North River early in the morning. Heavy fighting continued until the afternoon when the Canton forces took the offensive and checked the advance of their opponents.

### Canton General Killed.

Later in the afternoon, the defence lines of the Kwangsi troops weakened owing to the fact that they were outnumbered when

## MUI TSAI STATUS EXPLAINED.

### NOT PROPERTY OF THEIR EMPLOYERS.

### ARE FREE TO LEAVE.

An interesting notification has been issued by the Secretary for Chinese Affairs explaining the status of *mui tsai*. This intimation, which appears in the Chinese newspapers to-day, is to the effect that *mui tsai* are not the property of their masters or mistresses and that they are free at any time to return to their parents or guardians.

The notice, which is issued on the instructions of H. E. the Governor, points out that slavery is prohibited in all British Colonies, Protectorates and Dominions, and that maids in domestic service in Hongkong should know that they are not the personal property of their masters or mistresses.

If there are any *mui tsai* who wish to leave their masters and go back to their parents or guardians, they can do so at any time without paying compensation of any kind, but before doing so they should see the Secretary for Chinese Affairs or else go to the nearest Police Station, where their cases will be investigated.

It is urged on *mui tsai* that they should not leave their employers without going to the S.C.A. or the nearest Police Station; otherwise, they might fall into the hands of bad characters.

People employing *mui tsai* are warned against preventing them from acting in accordance with the official notification.

## EUROPEAN APOLOGY TO CHAUFFEUR.

## ASSAULT CASE WITHDRAWN AT KOWLOON.

The Indian chauffeur of Mr. P. M. Pinquet was the complainant, before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, in an assault summons against Mr. A. H. Lake, of the a.s. Tai Shan.

The incident is alleged to have taken place at the motor car stand at the Star Ferry at 4 p.m. on May 11.

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## LATEST ELECTION CONTROVERSY.

### AUSTIN WORKS & THE MCKENNA DUTIES.

### INTIMIDATION OF WORKER VOTERS ALLEGED.

### SHARP LABOUR REPLY.

London, May 22. Unexpectedly heavy figures are revealed by the register for England and Wales of the new electorate, which is now complete.

For the five hundred and fourteen constituencies in England and Wales, recorded at Somersett House, there is a total electorate of 25,092,536, which is comprised of 13,255,156 women voters, and 11,867,380 men voters the women having a majority of 1,367,776.

In the 71 Scottish constituencies, there are 1,413,602 men voters, and 1,566,257 women voters.

The Northern Ireland returns for the remaining constituencies are not yet complete, though the register at present reveals a total of 28,072,795, which represents an increase of 7,418,253 on the complete electorate at the 1924 general election.

Including the Scottish constituencies, women are in the majority by 1,510,831.

### PRÉMIER'S TOUR.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin is engaged in a tour of the country, working gradually from the North towards London, prior to jumping off again to the Eastern Counties.

Despite the strenuous nature of the tour, the Prime Minister informed Reuter's representative at Leeds that the strain had not yet begun to tell upon him.

Addressing an audience of approximately 5,000 at Leeds, Mr. Baldwin expressed the hope that his hearers would vote for his party, but he added: "I do beg every individual to vote according as he or she thinks it right to do."

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## BRITAIN AND CHINA TROUBLES.

### SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN ON FRIENDSHIP.

### NECESSARY REFORMS.

London, May 22. Addressing his constituents at Birmingham to-day, Sir Austen Chamberlain, the Foreign Secretary, made reference to British policy in China, reiterating Britain's good wishes and earnest desire for cordial relations, and making an indirect reference to the problem of extraterritoriality.

Sir Austen declared that as the result of Britain's policy in China, the Chinese people had come to recognise that our one desire was to see China strong and united, to live and to trade there in our mutual interests, without a desire to interfere with liberty or to secure another foot of Chinese soil.

He did not refer to the present fears of renewed civil war, but said that if the Chinese people could form a solid consistent Government which would carry out the necessary reforms, and bring the system of law, justice, and

THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

### Slow Through Trains Resume From To-morrow.

### EXPRESS SERVICE HOPES.

We are officially informed by the management of the British section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway that local trains on the Chinese section of the line resumed running to-day.

The slow train service to and from Canton will again start to-morrow, one train leaving Kowloon at 9.15 a.m. and one departing from Canton at 8.55 a.m.

For the present, the express train service will remain suspended, but it is hoped that it will shortly be resumed.

### A Bad Period.

I regret to say that, without any doubt whatever, the business of marine insurance is at present passing through one of the worst cycles that has been experienced within recent years. In all markets competition remains most acute and, as a consequence, further concessions, in the way of fuller conditions and reductions in rates, are constantly being asked for and, in many cases, granted.

I do not think I should be wrong in saying that the result of this is that a large proportion of the risks incident to the world's trade overseas is now being accepted by underwriters at rates of premium which, even with a normal out-turn, are barely sufficient to cover the regular claims for minor damage to which many classes of cargo are subject in the course of transit, leaving no margin whatever for the exceptionally heavy claims which have to be met in the case of total losses or other casualties of a serious nature which must periodically occur.

### London Difficulties.

To give you an example of the manner in which risks are continually being under-estimated nowadays by underwriters in the marine market, it may not be out of place for me to quote to you an extract from a recent issue of the *London Times*, commenting on this subject:

"An incident is now being much discussed by the London insurance market which, one might say, reflects the very unsatisfactory conditions which have long ruled in marine business. It appears that a number of risks involved in a forthcoming exhibition in this country were originally considered to be of little value, representing the insurance companies and the market at Lloyd's. After thorough examination of the special circumstances a number of risks which had been overlooked were found to be of considerable value, and the premium was increased to meet the new risk.

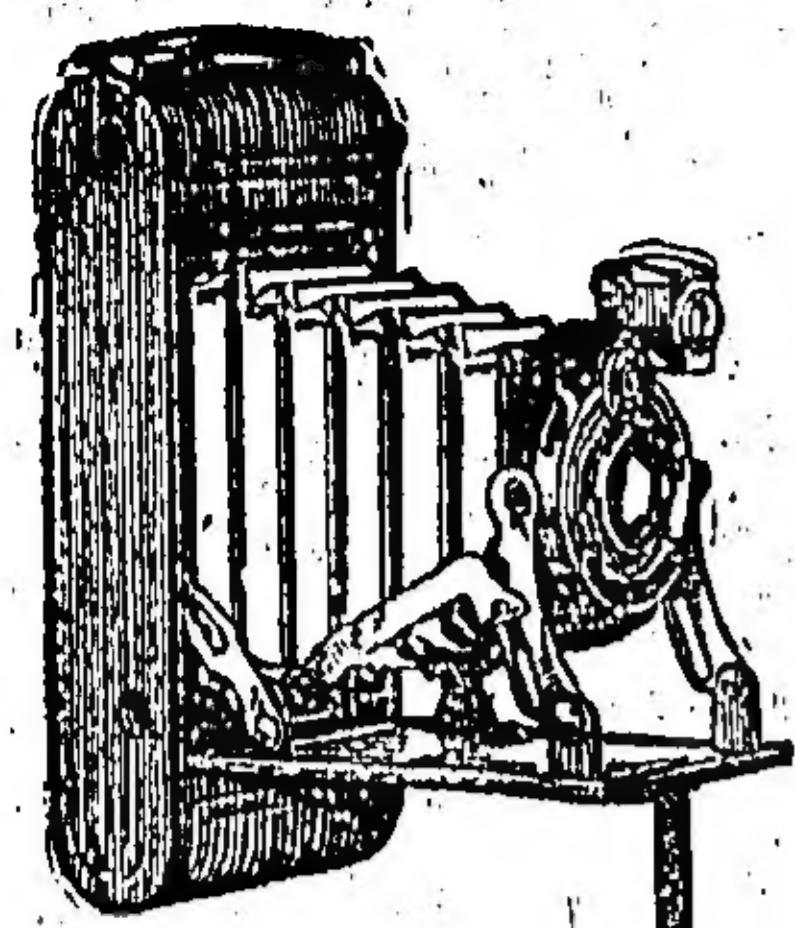
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### GOVERNMENT WINS BANK CASE.

#### ACCOUNT TO BE RECREDITED WITH \$260,000.

#### JUDGMENT GIVEN.

Legal argument in the action between the Hongkong Government and the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation was concluded yesterday afternoon when his Lordship delivered judgment in favour of the plaintiff, the Attorney General, and granted the declaration which was asked for. This declaration was for the Bank to credit the Government with the amounts of the three forged cheques, amounting to \$260,000 together with interest.

Giving judgment, his Lordship said that the plaintiff in the case was the Attorney General of Hongkong who appeared on behalf of the Government of the Colony, and the defendants were the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. For many years previous to the occurrences which were in question the relationship of banker and customer existed between them. It did not need to deal at any length with what the relations were, except to say it was clearly established it was one of debtor and creditor with the added liability on the part of the Bank to honour cheques drawn upon them on behalf of the Government.

The action was for a declaration asking that a certain sum of \$260,000 which was debited to the account of the plaintiff by the defendants was wrongly debited because the debts were made in respect of certain cheques purporting to be drawn by the Treasury agents of the Government on the Bank, which cheques were alleged in the proceedings by the Government to be forgeries.

There were two answers made to this. In the first place it was denied that the cheques were forgeries, and stated in express terms that they were genuine cheques bearing the signatures of the Colonial Treasurer and the Cashier of the Government. That was one of the points at issue before the jury, who found as a matter of fact, that the cheques were forged.

#### An Important Case.

There was a second defence raised by the Bank which was estoppel by negligence of certain officers of the Government. When the matter was opened his Lordship called the attention of counsel to the fact that the question of estoppel would be better dealt with in legal argument, that the facts should go to the jury and the question of law left until afterwards. Counsel agreed to that suggestion and certain questions were submitted to the jury.

After the questions had been answered, his Lordship continued, he had no very great doubt in his own mind as to what judgment would be, but he had reasons for allowing the case to be discussed before entering judgment. One of those reasons was that the case was very important and it might very well go further. Therefore it was better to hear argument both for and against.

The second defence raised was, that assuming the cheques were forgeries, still, by reasons of the negligent conduct on the part of officers of the Government, the Government were estopped from insisting that the documents were forgeries.

#### Estoppel Alleged.

Apparently for sometime in December 1927 or thereabouts, certain cheques were abstracted from the chequebook which had been supplied by the Bank to the Government for the purpose of drawing on the Government's account with the Bank. It was alleged that the conduct of the officers of the Government was such, with regard to those cheques and chequebooks, that they were estopped from setting up that the cheques were forgeries.

It was quite clear on the authorities that there was no duty upon

### OBITUARY

#### DEATH OF WIFE OF P.W.D. OFFICER

We regret to report the death, which occurred in the Victoria Hospital in the early hours of yesterday morning, of Mrs. Stephens, the wife of Mr. G. E. Stephens of the Public Works Department, the deceased lady succumbing to an attack of pneumonia.

Much sympathy will be extended to the bereaved husband, who is at present lying ill with influenza, and the four young children, in their great loss.

A large gathering attended the funeral yesterday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Koop officiating. The chief mourners were Sergeant Stephens, R.E., brother-in-law, and Sergeant Kelly and Sergeant Kirby of the Police. A number of representatives of the Public Works Department, the Sanitary Department and military units were present.

There was a large number of floral tributes including wreaths from the European staffs of the Buildings' Ordinance Office and General Works Office, P.W.D.

the customer to keep his chequebooks locked up or to keep them in his own custody. It was also clear from the authorities that if he entrusted his chequebooks to a clerk or servant who was dishonest, and who forged his employer's name on a cheque, the customer was not responsible. The loss must fall on the banker because he had honoured a signature which was not, in fact, the signature of the customer.

#### Defence Argument.

It had been strongly urged by counsel for the defence that in all the authority cases, although clear with regard to the custody of chequebooks, yet a duty was cast on the customer to bring to the notice of the Bank any matter of an unusual character, such as the loss of cheques, or extraction of cheques, and that if the customer did not do so, he failed in his legal duty; that if the abstracted cheques or any of them were used for the purpose of making forgeries, his conduct had been the proximate cause of the forgeries being made possible; that the loss which resulted to the Bank was by reason of not having been put into a position by the customer to take steps to prevent it.

In dealing with duty, his Lordship pointed out it was essential for there to be duty before the question of estoppel could arise. In the present case the matter of duty arose out of the relationship between the banker and the customer. He thought the authorities showed that that duty did not arise with regard to the conduct of ordinary business. Assuming there was a duty, from all the facts of the case, he was satisfied there was no legal duty owing to the Bank by the Treasury officials.

#### Negligence in Transaction.

It was clearly established by the authorities that the negligence which created estoppel must be in the transaction itself. Mr. Jenkin had asked him to find that the transaction in question in the present case was the loss of the cheques and the subsequent happenings in connexion with them. His Lordship said he thought it would be sufficient for him to read a passage from a judgment of Mr. Justice Kennedy, from 95 Times Law Reports, page 447.

He continued there was no fact which connected the officers of the Government directly with the drawing or forging of the cheques, neither was there any connexion between anything that was done by the Government officers and the forgery of the cheques as a criminal act. It seemed clear the authorities laid down that any negligence on the part of any Government servant must be in the transaction itself. He did not see how it was possible for him to give such a wide meaning to the words of the section, as Mr. Jenkin had asked him to do.

#### "Stretching the Law."

There was another condition which was necessary to be fulfilled

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### RICE PROBLEMS.

#### DISCUSSION BY PACIFIC CONGRESS.

Bandoeng, May 22.

The agricultural section of the fourth Pacific Congress discussed the movements of the rice market, which it concluded largely depended on production in China.

It proposed that the irrigation problem should be specially studied and discussed at the next congress; and that co-operation with Pacific countries in manuring and an international classification system of tropical soils should be established.

The Congress appointed a committee to study rice diseases and parasites.—Reuter.

before estoppel arose, which was that the negligence must be the proximate cause of the loss which was sought to be avoided in this particular case. It seemed it was the forger of the cheques by which the Bank was induced to mistake the signatures for the signatures of the Colonial Treasurer and the Cashier, when, in fact, they were not the signatures of those men. It seemed to him he would be stretching the law most unduly, in fact he would be running counter to the principles reiterated in authority cases, if he was to hold in the present case that the proximate cause was the fact of the extraction of the cheques.

#### Declaration Granted.

On those grounds he thought that the declaration should be granted. The declaration was that the said Government is entitled to be credited by the defendant corporation with the said three amounts, namely \$86,965.33, \$78,320.41 and \$95,421.19, together with interest thereon at the customary or contractual rate of two per centum per annum from the dates wherein the amounts of the said three cheques were respectively debited to the general account of the said Government, till payment or judgment."

His Lordship added it amounted to judgment for the plaintiff with costs, but he would not enter the amount.

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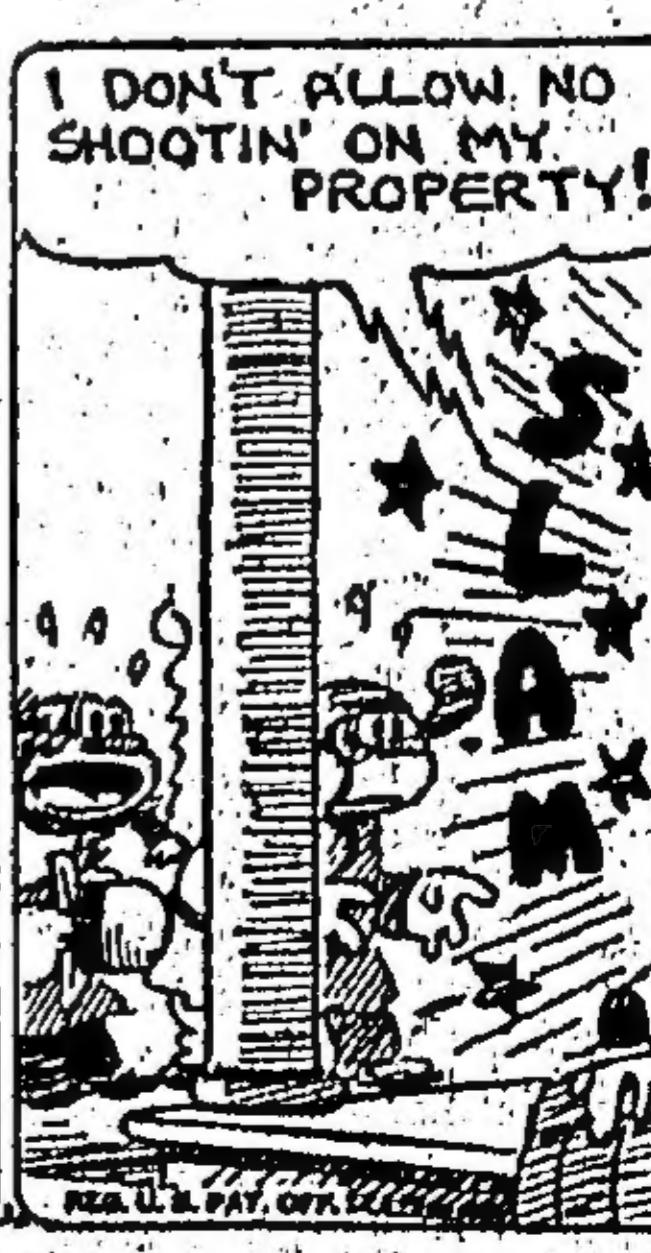
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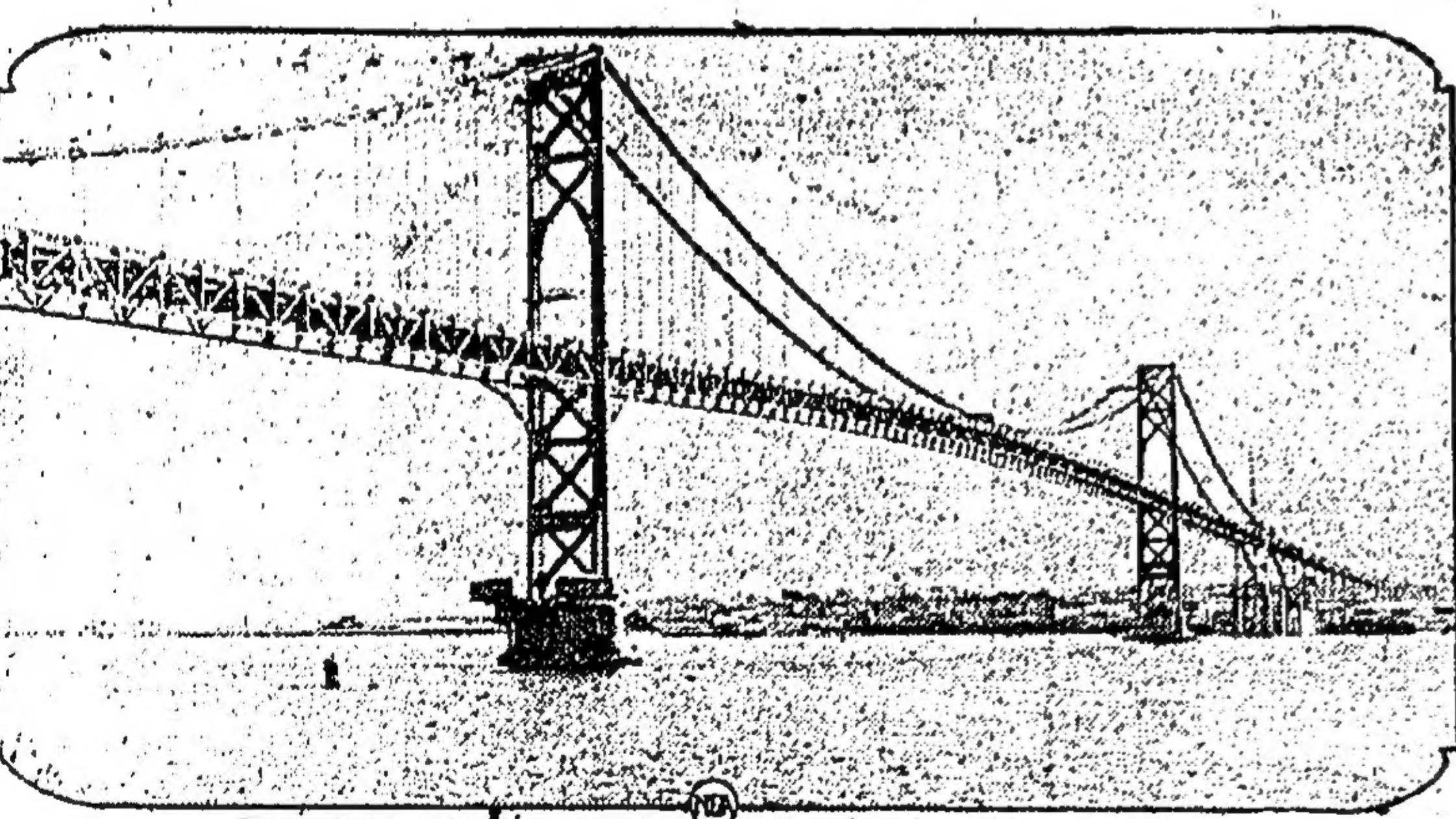
Pictures from tornado-stricken Arkansas are given on this page. Over 50 were killed and hundreds injured. Above is the wreckage of the school and church at Bono.



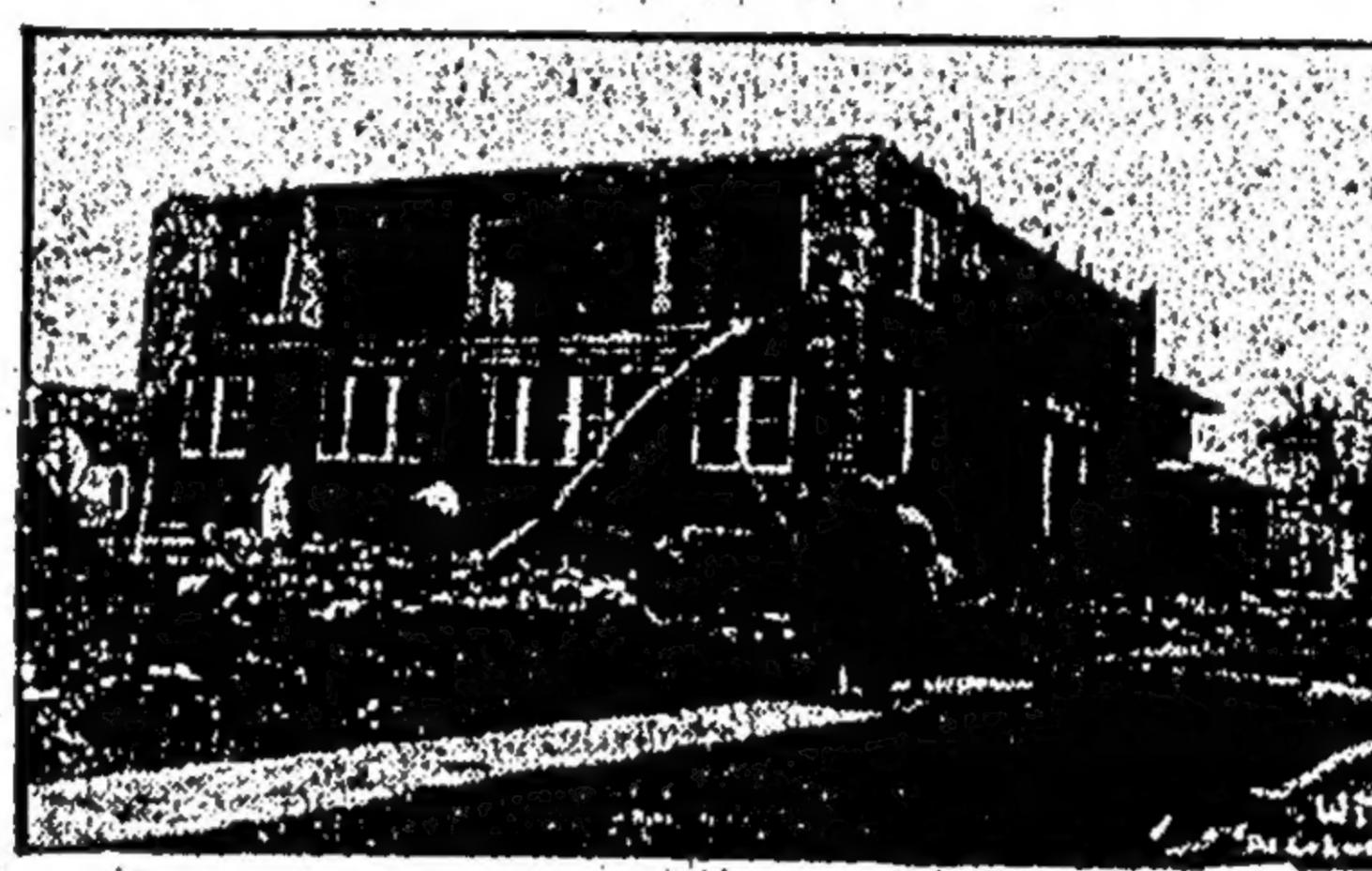
The ruins of a house at Lorado, Ark., where the owner and his entire family were killed.



The destruction wrought by a mysterious explosion which demolished a four-storey building and wrecked others in Detroit is shown above. Two men were killed.



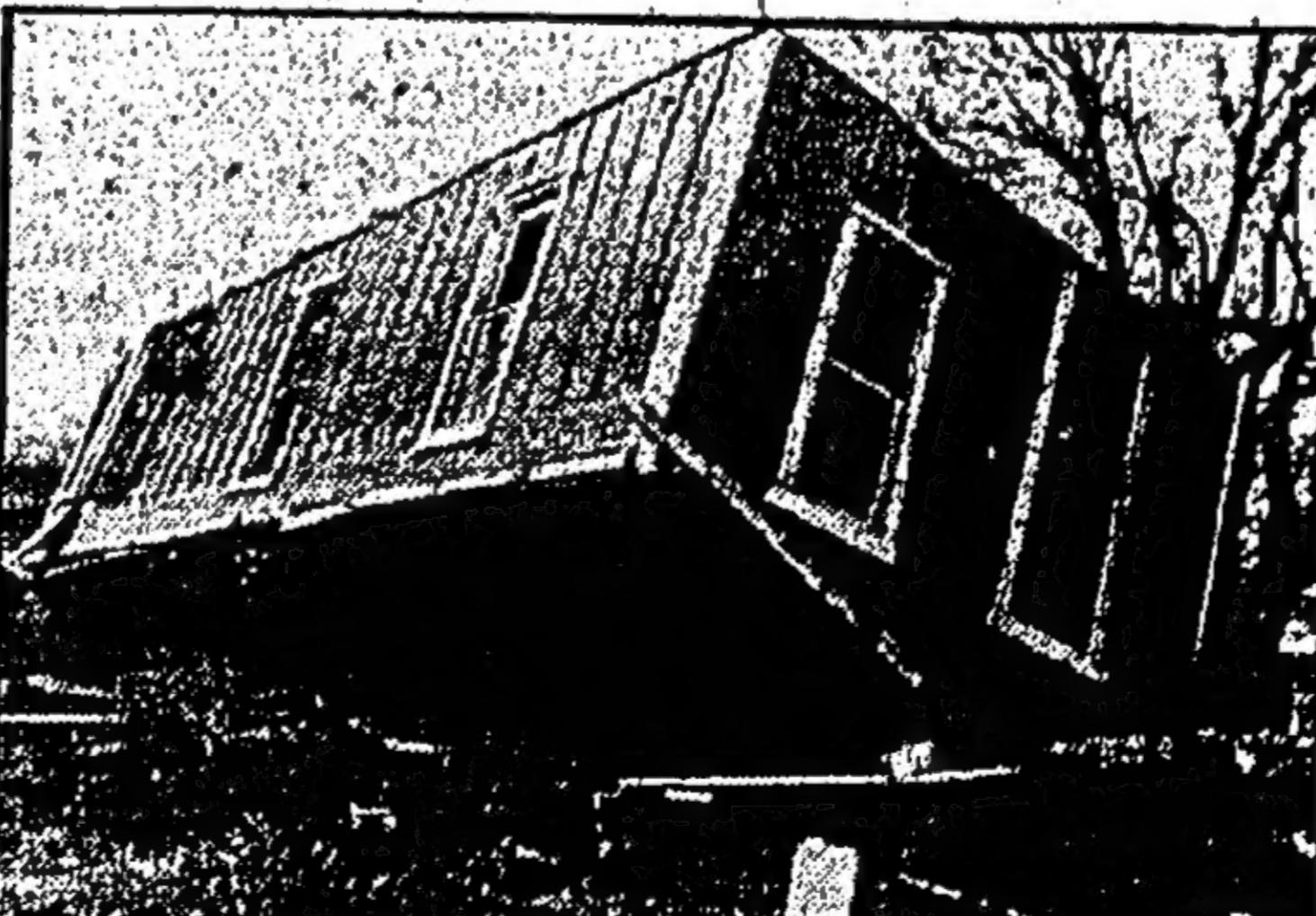
The huge bridge pictured above, not yet completed, has to be pulled down owing to defective steel cables. It was to join Providence and Newport, R. I.



A wall taken clean away by the Arkansas tornado.



A street in Blackwell, Ark., after the storm.



Spiritual Healing Mission promises turned upside down by the tornado.



Gen. Pei Chung-hsi, the strategist behind the Kwangsi attack on Canton.

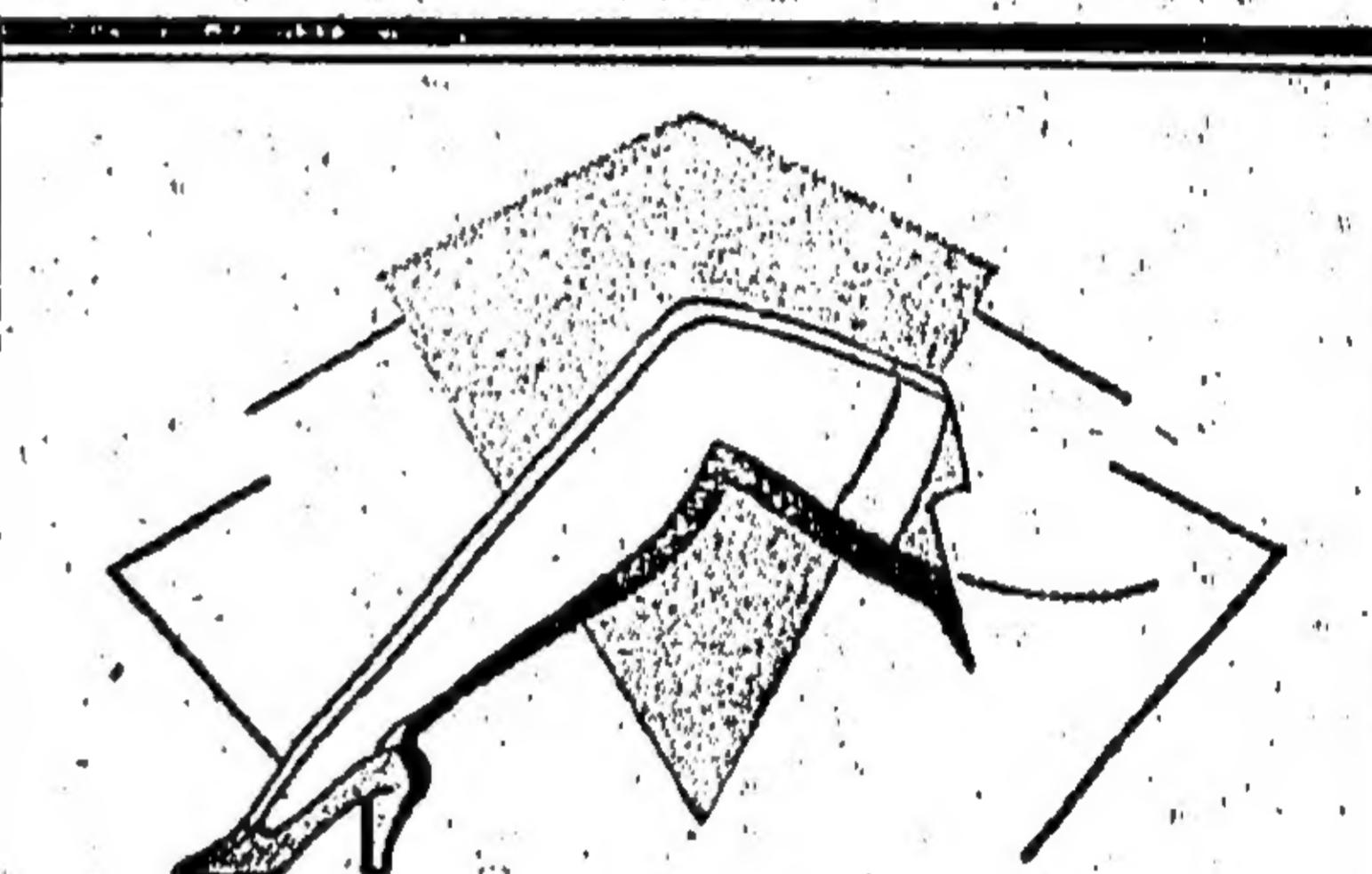


Her Royal Highness, Miss Audrey Collings, crowned Queen of the May at the annual Maypole Dance of the kindergarten pupils of the Shanghai Cathedral School for Girls.



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## G. R.

Particulars and Conditions of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 27th day of May, 1929, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Prince Edward Road, Kowloon City, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

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## SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING.

As from to-day, May 22, the responsibility of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Murphy for Barbara Helen Wilson has ceased.

A. E. MURPHY.  
Hongkong, May 22, 1929.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Office at China Buildings (6th floor) Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 6th June, 1929, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and a Statement of Account for the year ending 28th February, 1929; and of electing additional directors, if thought fit, and also of electing an auditor.

THE TRANSFER BOOK of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd May to 6th June, 1929, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

HENRY LOWCOCK  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 21st May, 1929.

## KEEP WATCH.

The Navy League (Hongkong Branch) have much pleasure in announcing that with the kind permission of the Hongkong Amusements, Ltd. and under the auspices of the St. George's and St. Andrew's Societies they will be showing the film:

## KEEP WATCH.

on Empire Day (24th May) at the afternoon performance which will take place at 5 p.m. sharp in the Queen's Theatre, in conjunction with the ordinary programme.

Special arrangements have already been completed for a number of school children, otherwise prices as usual.

L. M. WHYTE,  
Hon. Secretary,  
Navy League (Hongkong Branch).

## NOTICE.

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Section C and the Remaining Portion of See: B of Inland Lot No. 1842. (No. 1 Sharp Street West).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 24th May, 1929, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1928, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 6th May to 24th May, Both Days inclusive.

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## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

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By Order of the Board,

PAUL LAUDER,  
General Manager.  
Hongkong, 1st May, 1929.

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## WOMAN'S WORLD FOR OUR LADY READERS.

### The Lady Companion.

#### THE LAST OF HER KIND.

Work of any sort involving much intercourse with human beings brings one up against some odd types. The other day in a registry for women where I occasionally deputise, I came upon a perfect specimen of a type I had thought to be long extinct—the Lady Companion.

She floated into the office like a ship in full sail. Her age it was impossible to guess, even approximately. Her clothes were long and voluminous. A lofty hat was erected on an even loftier coiffure, and secured with hatpins, those obsolete weapons with which woman, in the days of her bondage, used occasionally to defend herself.

How had she survived contact with the modern world? Questions soon elicited the fact that she had not. She had been living in a rural back-water, with an old lady and two old servants. This old lady, after for many years paying the Lady Companion twenty pounds a year for her company, had died and left her nothing at all.

#### Dreamy Thoughts.

What was the Lady Companion to do? What indeed! She was totally untrained, entirely incapable, and combined immense personal dignity with complete absence of cash. She could arrange flowers. Thought she might supervise the activities of a really efficient and respectful staff of servants. She was also prepared to drive out in a carriage with another old lady if such could be found. She used strange words like "menial" and "genteeel." She suggested dreamy thoughts of apidistras and slippery sofas with thickly bits of horsehair sticking out.

Confronted with this relic one felt as one imagines an official at the Zoo might feel if an ichthyosaurus should amble in one day and offer its services. Wild thoughts of sending her with a letter of introduction to Madame Tussaud's had to be firmly repressed.

Helplessly one opened the books of the registry and recited the posts vacant. The Lady Companion raised a kid-gloved hand and shook a bit-feathered head as in each case "help with housework" was announced as a condition of engagement. "Quite impossible Miss—er—Smith. Quite impossible. I have not been accustomed to menial work—my health would not stand it!"

"Then Miss Cholmondeley,"—with polite regret—"I fear we have nothing for you. Such posts as you describe are never heard of."



Infinitely feminine, charming and new in at least three ways is this Paris creation. First, it is made of sheer, pure white organdy and tulle, than which nothing could be more summery or dainty. Second, its silhouette is one of the future, the true princess line with a long skirt that trails gracefully behind. Third, it takes the vogue for ruching trim seriously and uses two, three and four rows of tulle ruching to re-ruffle its flaring, feminine skirt. A double ruching outlines the neck and falls like a tel. This frock would make a smart bridesmaid style, done in pastel shades and topped by a floppy hat.

### Today's Recipe.

#### SNOW PUDDING.

One and one-half tablespoons granulated gelatine, 4 table-spoons cold water, 1 cup boiling water, 1-2 cup lemon juice, 2-3 cup granulated sugar, whites 3 eggs.

Soften gelatine in cold water for five minutes. Add boiling water and stir until dissolved. Add sugar and lemon juice. Place in a pan of ice water until mixture is cool and syrupy. Beat with egg beater until foamy. Add whites of eggs beaten until stiff and dry and continue beating mixture until it will hold its shape. Turn into a mold and chill for several hours. Unmold and serve.

nowadays. I am so sorry. Is there anything else we can do for you?"

"Hm, hm." A genteel little cough behind the shabby kid-glove. "I have the address of another registry office. Could you—er—perhaps—er—spare me for the bus?"

Sixpence for the bus! Armed with this, and another sixpence for a cup of tea, and, one hopes and believes, with the kindly special providence who cares for the helpless, the Lady Companion floated out—surely the last of her kind.

G. M. B. In Exchange.

### Notes.

#### FROM A FASHION BOOK.

Shaded green and brown cow-hide belt worn with a brown and white sports suit in fine wool.

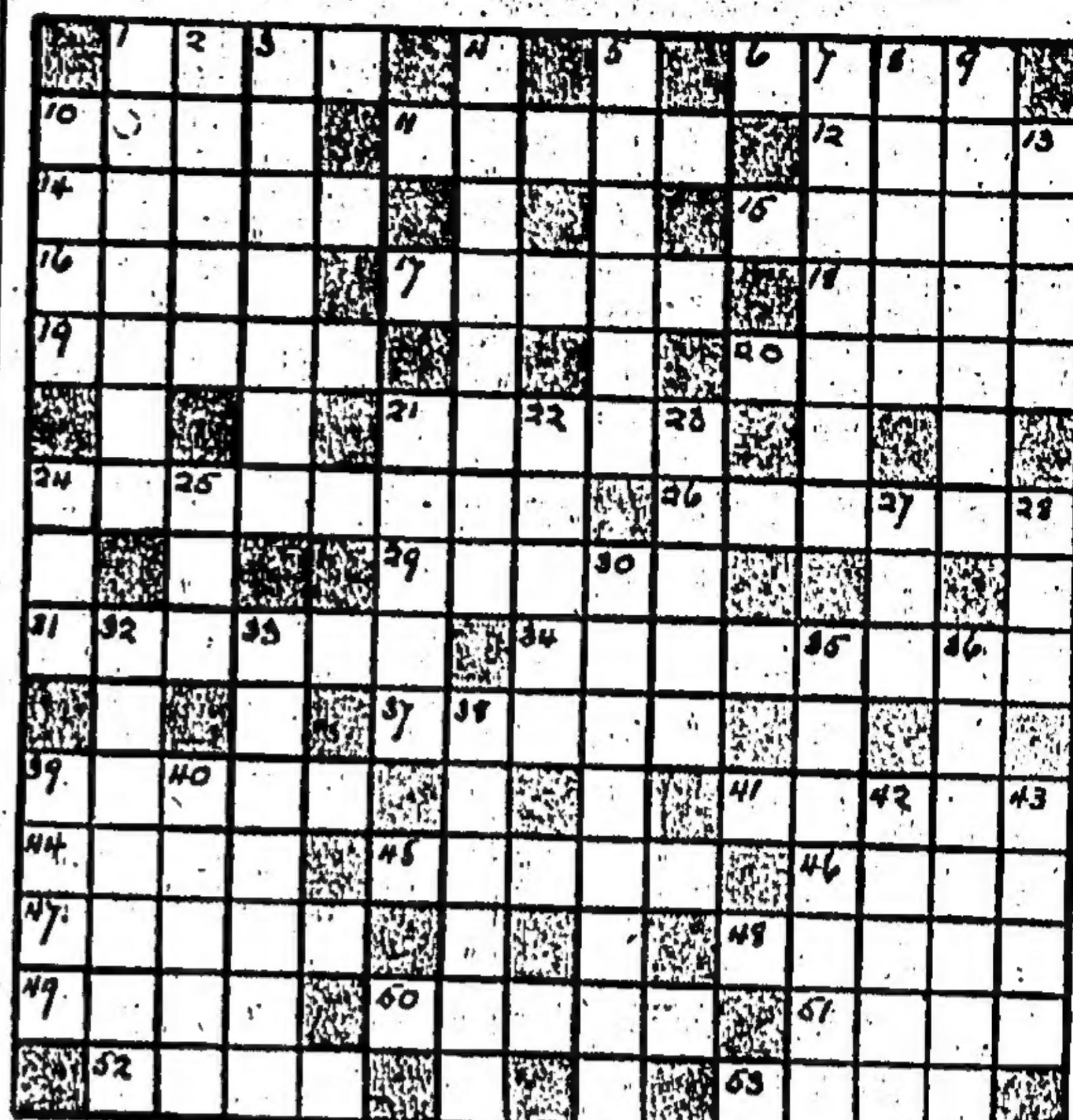
Rose-pink frock in fine cloth, with a skirt made in box pleats, each alternate pleat being about an inch longer, giving a tabbed effect. A short navy blue coat and a pink, navy and powder-blue scarf were worn.

A charming jumper suit in crocus blue and gold, with a design of crocuses worked in silk at the base of the yellow wool jumper; the pleated skirt was of blue satin.

Cocoon-coloured felt hat with a low crown and fairly wide, upturned brim, reminiscent of the old "sailor" models, worn with a cocoon-coloured wool suit, apricot and cocoon-coloured crepe de Chine jumper and scarf.

Scarlet cashmere coat with a scarlet and yellow posy worked on the left side, imitating a breast pocket, worn with a beige frock with pleated skirt bordered with scarlet.

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- Have recourse.
- Draw out.
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- Window frame.
- Prophets.
- Ancient Babylonian.
- Glassworks.
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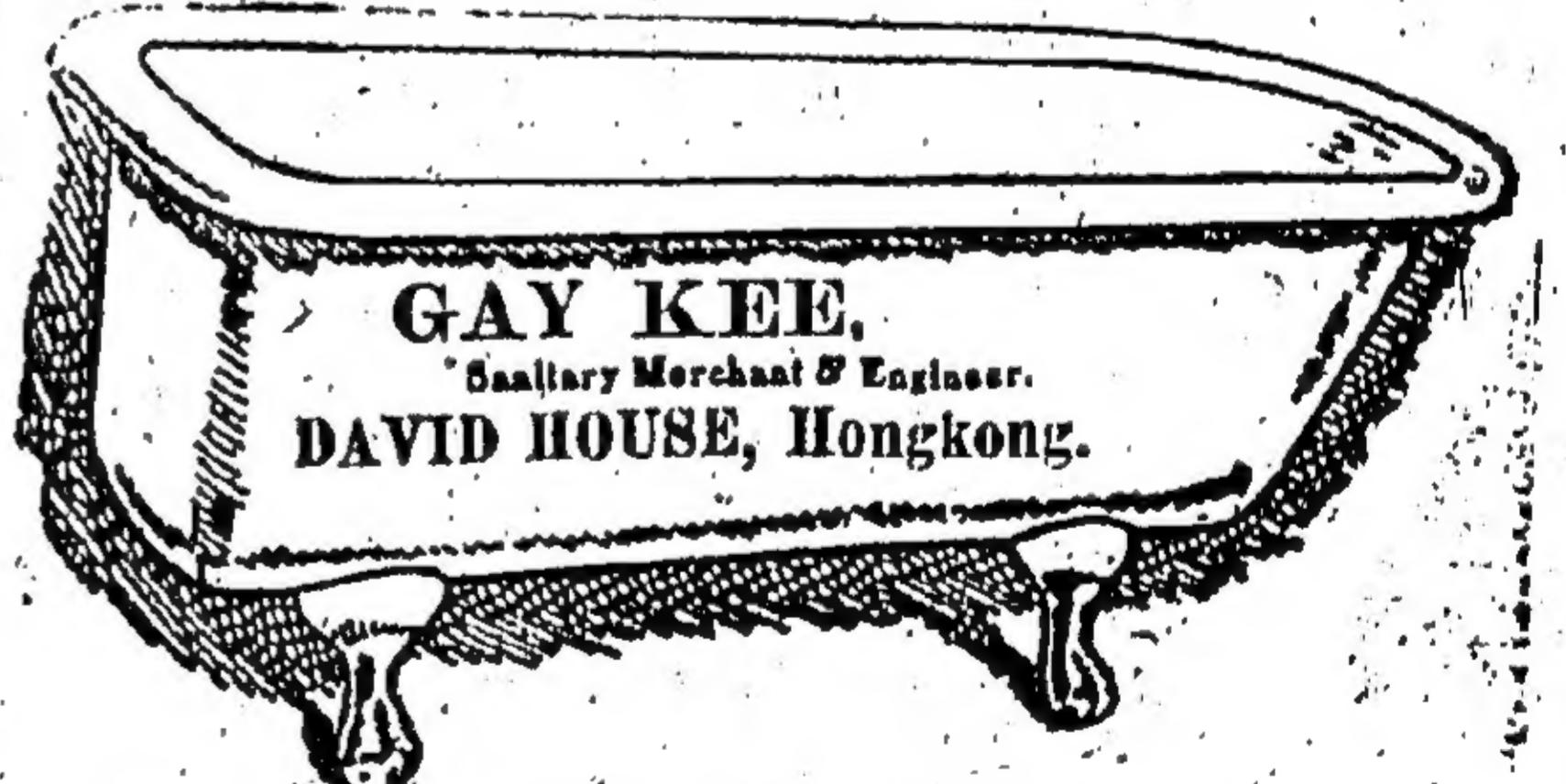
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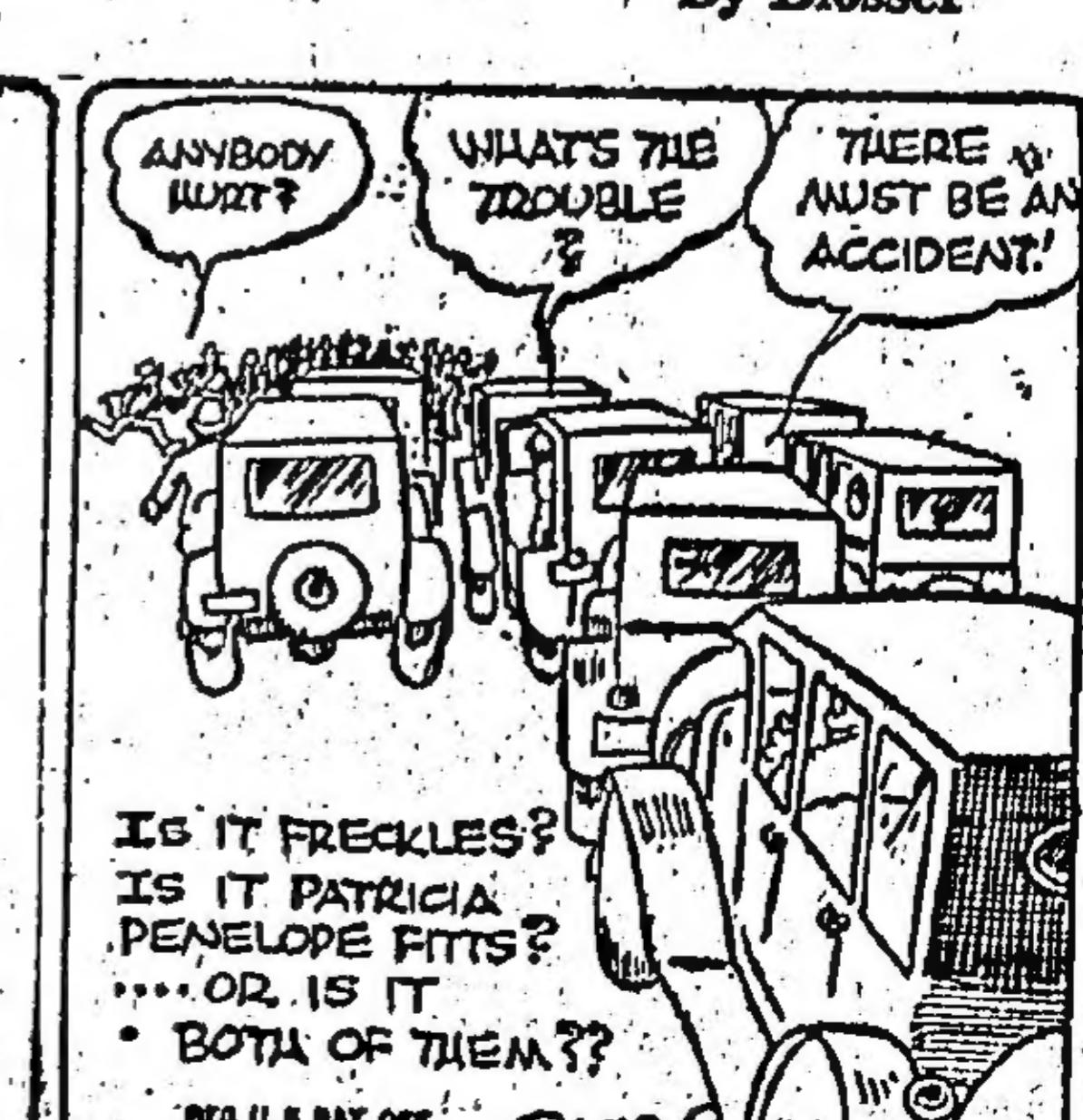
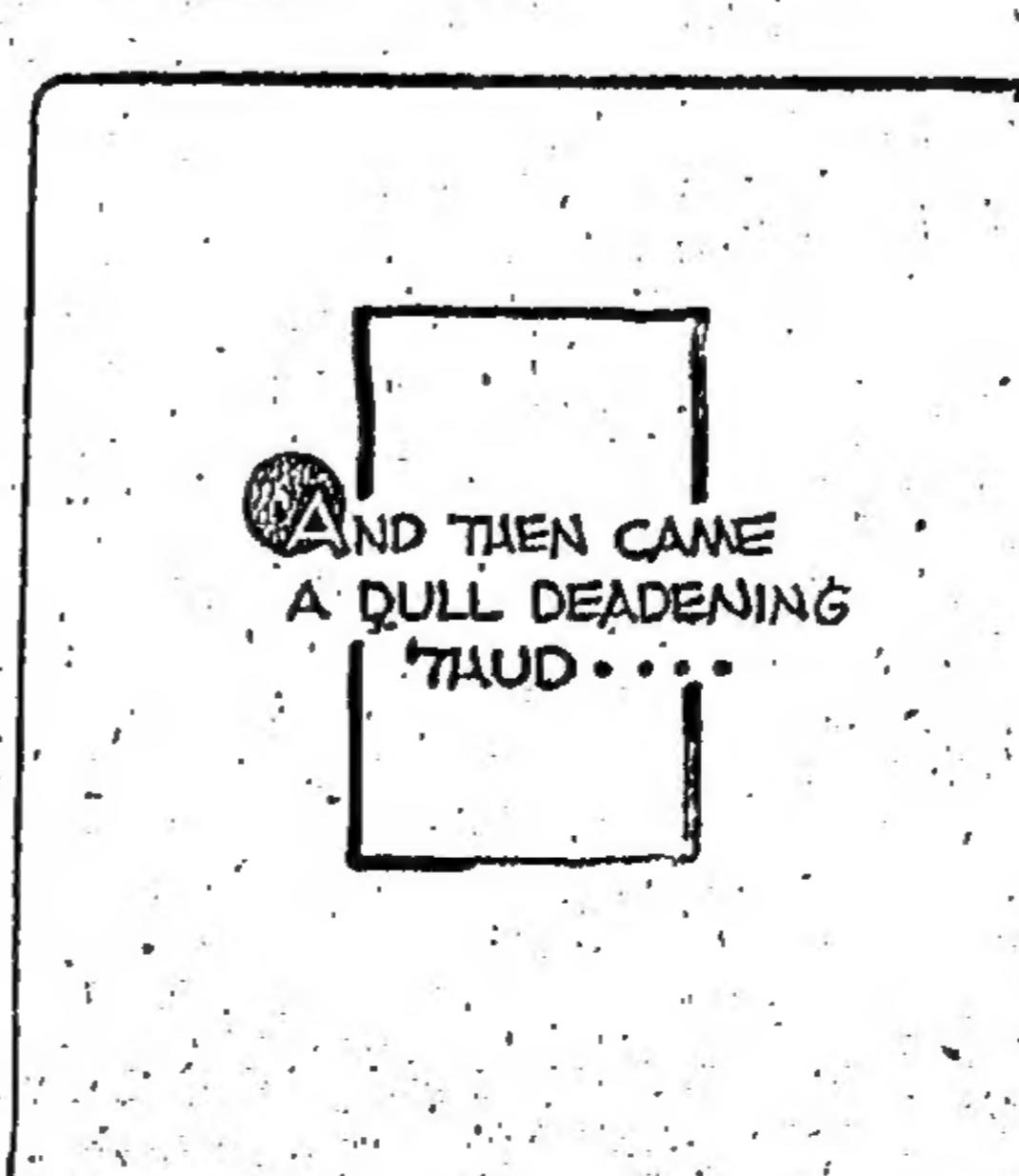
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### FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

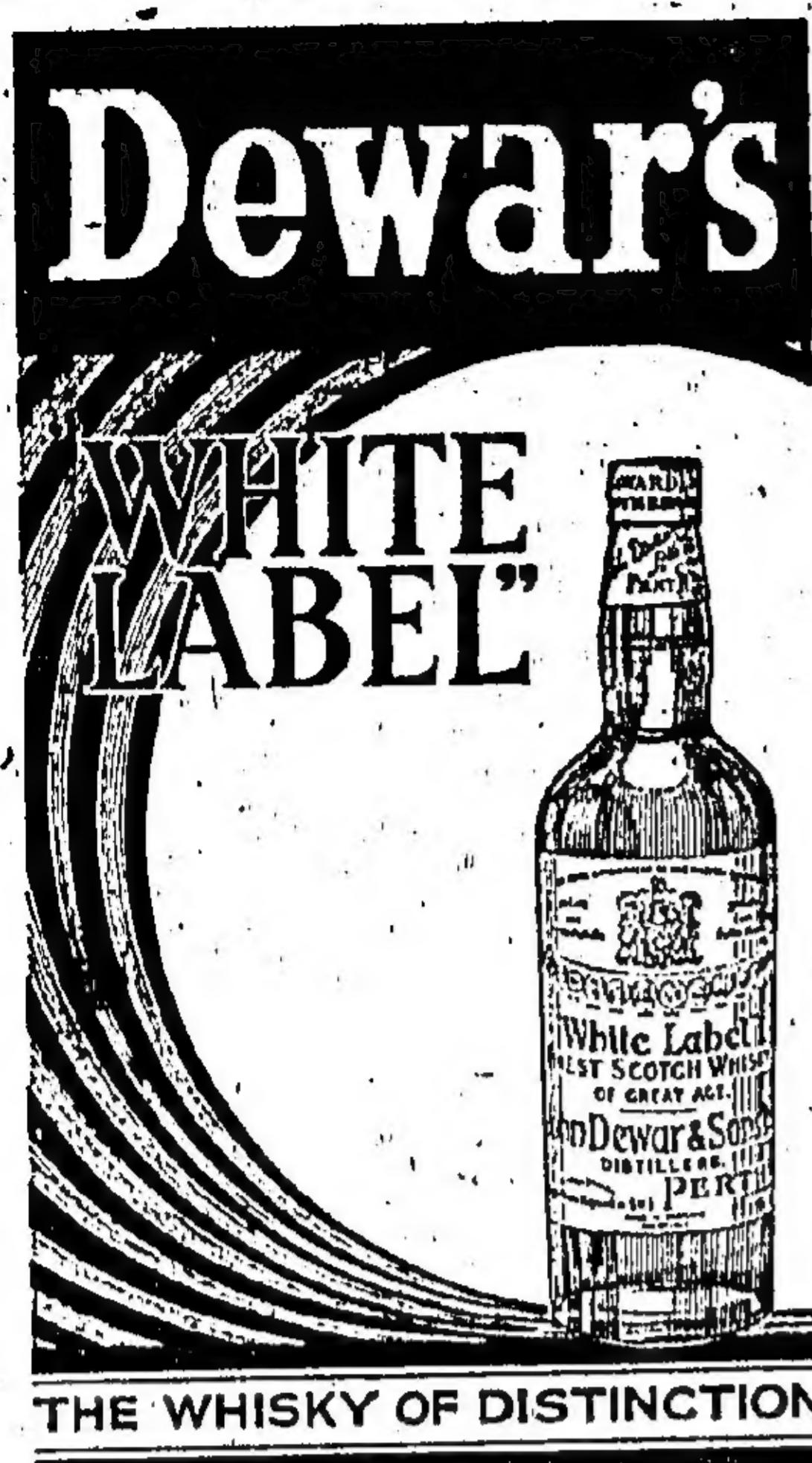


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## PORT DEVELOPMENT.

Hongkong, as the biggest port in the East, will doubtless be interested in the report of the Imperial Shipping Committee in regard to the desirability of improving and developing Singapore Harbour. Some of the conclusions reached were outlined in a telegram to hand yesterday. Of these, the most important appear to be the provision of more wharfage for ocean-going steamers and the removal of certain shoals so as to permit of deeper anchorages. It is not considered advisable, however, to undertake any scheme involving a material increase in port charges.

These recommendations are of more than ordinary interest, as they cover points of a character which Hongkong will have sooner or later to face in regard to its own harbour. It will be recalled that some eight years ago, the Government engaged the services of an expert, in the person of Sir Maurice Fitzmaurice, to visit the Colony and present an extensive report on the question of harbour development. This document was of a most comprehensive character, and the scheme put forward covered all aspects of the local problem. The matter was later investigated at considerable length by the Chamber of Commerce, and further contributions to the question were made in the form of a wet dock proposal by Captain Davison whilst the Government's own Port Engineers also presented a lengthy report on the future needs of the harbour. Since those days, however, a reign of economy has set in, and very little has been heard of port development for the past few years. Indeed, the separate Port Development Department which had been created was two years ago again re-absorbed into the P.W.D., on the plea that harbour development works were so closely inter-connected with works falling under the P.W.D. as to make it necessary in the interests of efficiency to bring them under the same control. In the interim, survey work has been carried out in the harbour, and a certain amount of dredging has been done, but nothing has been heard regarding the elaborate schemes put forward by Sir Maurice Fitzmaurice or by Mr. John Duncan. It may be that financial considerations have prevented the matter being further gone into, but, all the same, we should like to feel that the necessity of maintaining the port in a thoroughly modern condition is not being lost sight of.

That there is still need for further deepening of the harbour at certain spots is obvious; indeed, one expert has suggested that the depth ought to be in the neighbourhood of forty feet. As regards wharfage, it was stated at the Wharf and Godown Company's meeting a couple of months ago, that on several occasions last year ships were compelled to discharge in the stream, due to no wharves being available. It was stressed at that meeting that the need for further wharf accommodation is becoming increasingly evident. In view of facts like these, it is well that the question of harbour development should be kept well to the fore, for Hongkong's harbour is its greatest asset.

## RATIONALISATION OF INDUSTRY.

The proposed fusion of the Egyptian section of Lancashire's cotton industry may be hailed as yet another valuable step towards the rationalisation of British industry, a movement which has gained remarkable impetus in the past twelve months. The approval of the shareholders has yet to be obtained, but so rapidly are Britain's industrialists awakening to the significance of well-planned organisation and amalgamation of common interests that no opposition is expected from this quarter. Two or three years ago, rationalisation was viewed with suspicion as an American-coined word for trusts, but though Great Britain has been late in the field, it is evident that a big endeavour is now being made to catch up. Recent linkings of important industrial concerns include the merger of Vickers-Armstrongs and Cammell Laird, the fusion of important iron and steel companies in Durham, and the formation of the Lancashire cotton spinning corporation, which plans mass production on a tremendous scale, the elimination of every kind of waste and overlapping, and of harmful competition. Big collieries are arranging amalgamation where mutual assistance and co-operation are possible and desirable, while the drastic processes of writing down capital carried out in big industrial concerns is the most welcome indication of the seriousness with which the problems are being tackled. Mr. Stanley Baldwin is on perfectly safe ground when he claims that British industry is finding its feet and will achieve a large measure of its old prosperity if political stability is assured, though it does not necessarily follow that the removal of the Conservative Government would remove stability. Rationalisation has also a keen supporter in the Prince of Wales. In a striking speech at the Newcastle Exhibition, he appealed for ruthless scrapping of old-fashioned machinery and methods and the need for the introduction of an entirely new outlook on industrial possibilities. It is interesting to note that the Workers' Educational Association has chosen rationalisation as its principal subject of study this year, it can be predicted with safety that, granted a maintenance of the improved relations between employers and employed, no change of Government will interfere materially with the advance of British industry in line with modern requirements.

A week ago, three Chinese men and a woman vehemently protested against being placed in the cells when the Magistrate at the Police Court ordered a remand in a case in which they were charged with uttering counterfeit bank notes. One of the defendants stated that he would rather be shot than compelled to endure prison life, and he strongly resisted when he was put into the cell again. This morning the case was brought up again before Mr. N. L. Smith, and it was reported that one of the male defendants was sick and unable to appear. The Magistrate again remanded the case, which will be heard on Tuesday.

## OBSCENE PICTURES.

### CHINESE PHOTOGRAPHER IN TROUBLE.

Photographs of a most disgusting character were seized from a Chinese photographer's shop at the Praya East during a raid carried out yesterday by officers from the Wanchai Police Station.

The raid was preceded by a visit which a detective made in the capacity of a buyer. Having made a purchase and obtained the necessary evidence, a warrant was taken out, upon which the officers acted.

The proprietor and an assistant were taken into custody, and were charged before Mr. N. L. Smith today with the possession of obscene pictures. The former was fined \$100 and the latter discharged.

The seized photographs were ordered to be destroyed. Shops where studies of figures in the nude and semi-nude are displayed for sale, have increased in numbers of late, and it was stated this morning that similar action was being contemplated against other shops by the police.

## DAY BY DAY.

BE WONDROUS WARY OF YOUR FIRST  
COMPARTMENTS; GET A GOOD NAME,  
AND BE VERY TENDER OF IT AFTER-  
WARDS.—Howell.

Yesterday's return of notifiable disease shows two cases each of diphtheria and typhoid. All were Chinese excepting one Portuguese case of diphtheria.

Mr. Wei Tat, B.A., will speak on "The Justice of Life" at the usual weekly public lecture of the Theosophical Society, 7 Queen's Road Central, to-day at 6 p.m.

For carrying seven passengers in excess of the number allowed by her licence, the mistress of a passenger boat was this morning fined \$20, or, three weeks, at the Marine Court, by the Hon. Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N.

The case in which Lam Chun was charged with robbery on a junk, kidnapping and possession of a revolver concluded at the Criminal Sessions yesterday afternoon. Prisoner was found not guilty on all charges and was acquitted.

There was a slight increase in the number of small-pox cases reported to the Medical Officer of Health last week. Ten were notified, two more than the previous week. Nine of them occurred in the Victoria registration districts and one in Kowloon. There were eight deaths.

The attention of cinema-goers is drawn to the fact that an interesting picture, "Keep Watch," will be shown to-morrow at the Queen's Theatre at 5.00 p.m. in addition to the feature attraction. The film gives statistics of the British and other navies and is being shown by arrangement with The Navy League.

Mr. Lalchand, the managing partner of Messrs. Lalchand and Gagandas was the guest of honour at a tea party given in the Shindhi Merchants Club by Mr. Verhomal Shewaram, managing proprietor of the Pioneer Silk Store, yesterday afternoon. Mr. Lalchand intends leaving the Colony for India shortly with his wife and family.

A fine of \$25 was imposed by Mr. T. E. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on the master of a pawnshop who pleaded guilty to receiving in pawn a pair of trousers which bore Government marks and signs. The garment was stated to have been stolen from a Fire Brigade man and pawned. His Worship told the defendant that the offence was a very serious one.

A noisy scene was enacted at the street fountain in On Lan Street shortly after midnight, by the queue which had formed up at that early hour with their buckets. Blows were struck between a number of disputants, the quarrel continuing until the arrival on the scene of a number of policemen. The affair was settled in some way, and apparently, it was not found necessary to bring any charge before the Magistrate this morning.

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## NEW MOTOR SHIPS.

### MORE BUILT FOR THE FAR EAST.

Messrs. Grier and Co., London, write informing us that their Dutch shipbuilding principals, the "De Maas" Shipbuilding Company, of Slikkeveer, Holland, have recently completed the building of seven Diesel ships, and they have just secured orders for the building of three Diesel motor ships, 165'0" x 28'0" x 10'0", 400 tons deadweight, to be fitted with 250 H.P. "Bulzer" motor installation to give them a speed of 8 1/2 knots loaded.

The above vessels will be employed in trading in Eastern waters.

## LOUIS XV STORY.

### JOHN BARRYMORE IN "WHEN A MAN LOVES."

In most of the arts, the finished product is the work of one individual. In motion pictures it is the work of many. Before a single set for the spectacular production "When A Man Loves" was designed, research experts delved deeply into the history and literature of the times of Louis XV of France which in the period of the story.

The costumes are faithful reproductions of originals obtained from the French State Museum. Twenty-four costumes of the period were borrowed from the French Government, Warner Bros. posting a bond of \$84,000 as a guarantee of their safe return.

Street scenes and interiors were designed and executed by Mr. Ben Carter who received his art education in Paris.

Limitless pains were taken in the reproduction of the convict ship and scenes of deportation and battle at sea. So authentic is the atmosphere in which the characters play their parts that the theatre-goer is completely lost in the story, which means that the direction of Alna Crossland is of the highest order. The cast, besides the names of Barrymore and Costello includes many screen actors of world-wide fame. The months of careful preparation are justified by the gem that is "When A Man Loves" with John Barrymore in the leading role. The great picture comes to the Queen's Theatre to-day.

## The Very Idea!

On trial in New York as a public nuisance, Texas Guinan, America's "Queen of the Night Clubs," was recently once again in the public eye.

Texas entered the witness-box wearing diamond bracelets six inches thick and rings with stones as big as walnuts.

She smilingly said that she had never tasted liquor, and swore that she did not know the Salom Royale, the night club at which she was said to have been employed as "hostess" dispensing drinks to those willing to pay for the privilege.

In reply to the prosecuting attorney's statement that she believed to have been the owner of the club, Texas declared that she was just a "hired artist," but admitted she was making \$20,000 yearly out of this employment.

Magistrate at Feltham, Middlesex: Was anybody else present when this happened?

Woman: No, nobody else; only my husband.

Woman at Thames Police Court: My husband uses bad language to me and threatens to sell the property.

The Magistrate (Mr. J. A. R. Cairns): Perhaps his language will be better then.

Willesden Magistrate: Does your husband live at home?

Wife: Yes, all by himself; no one takes any notice of him.

[An Italian bridegroom refused to marry his bride because, at the time fixed for the ceremony she was "waiting her turn" for a hair-wave.]

Vanity, subtle and active, Sad to relate, Proving strong and attractive, Settled her fate Guests in the church congregated, Nuptials to see— Where could she be Search and inquiries extensive; Bridegroom aghast; Anxious, perturbed, apprehensive Found her at last, Captured by Beauty's own magic Lured by its spell Ending in (isn't it tragic?) Waves of farewell.

Peter, aged four, was given a small plot in the garden, to be under his special care. After it had been dug and raked for him, he put in a few flower seeds. Then he sought his mother indoors. "Mum," he asked. "Which vase can I have to put my flowers when I pick them?"

Mr. S. H. Simo, the well-known artist, writes:

"The annoyance of wrong numbers in telephone calls is mollified sometimes by a gentle wit. Once upon a time I was editing the *Idler* magazine. I had need to call up the printers, and when I was put through commenced as usual. 'Idler speaking.' Mr. Wrong Number replied, 'Then make yourself busy by ringing off.'

"One day I called up Mrs. Pippi. 'Are you Mrs. Pippi?' A snappy masculine voice came back with, 'No, I am not Mrs. Pippi, I never have been Mrs. Pippi, and I hope I never shall be Mrs. Pippi.'

"But it is a short worm that has no turning. I was called up by a voice asking, 'What time would be convenient to send the men along.'

"What men, Who are you?"

"We are Snodgrass and Piffle, undertakers."

"Ring off; I'm not quite ready for you."

Much merriment was caused by a sign in front of a Highland church which read:

"Subject of Sunday evening's service, 'Do you know what hell is?'"

And underneath in smaller letters, "Come and hear our new organ."

## EXCHANGE RATES.

London, May 22.

Paris	124.16
Geneva	25.105
Berlin	20.865
Oslo	18.20
Helsingfors	152%
Athens	375
Bucharest	474
Hongkong	1/11%
New York	4.845/16
Amsterdam	12.08
Stockholm	18.15
Vienna	34.53
Madrid	84.125
Bucharest	818
Bombay	1/6%
Yokohama	1/10.8/32
Brussels	84.185
Milan	92.675
Copenhagen	18.205
Prague	108%
Lisbon	108%
Rio	5.57/4
Shanghai	2/5
Silver (spot and forward)	25.1/16
British Wireless	

## STABBING INCIDENT SEQUEL.

## MAGISTRATE TO REVIEW HIS DECISION.

## TOO HEAVY SENTENCE

A case which was dealt with by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistrate yesterday afternoon, in which a man was sentenced to eight months' hard labour on charges of stabbing a detective and resisting arrest, was mentioned in Court this morning when his Worship intimated that he intended to review his decision.

His Lordship said he thought he had exceeded his powers in sentencing the defendant to eight months' hard labour. He said that Section 38 of the Magistrates Ordinance only gave him power to sentence a man to six months' imprisonment altogether.

He added that the offences took place in different streets and at different times, but he regarded them as one incident.

His Worship quoted the section which reads:—"A Magistrate shall not, by cumulative sentences of imprisonment (other than for default of finding securities) to take effect in succession in respect of several assaults committed on the same occasion, impose on any persons imprisonment for the whole exceeding six months."

His Worship pointed out to Detective Inspector Fallon, who was in charge of the case, that the question was arguable whether the offences could be regarded as the same occasion or not.

His Worship remarked that the defendant in the case would be brought before the Court on Saturday morning for decision.

## EINSTEIN'S CREED.

## RELATIVITY AND A CRY OF ATHEISM.

New York, Apr. 25.  
Professor Einstein, famous for his Relativity and Space-curvature theories, has been put through a sort of "Shorter Catechism" by cable.

Following are the question and answer which have passed between the Rabbi Herbert Goldstein in America and the great scientist at Dusseldorf, in Germany:—

Q. Do you believe in God?—  
(Goldstein).

A. I believe in Spinoza's God, who reveals Himself in the orderly harmony of what exists; not in a God who concerns himself with the fates and actions of human beings.—(Einstein).

I am informed that the Rabbi Goldstein was prompted to ask his blunt question by a remark of Cardinal O'Connell, of Boston, Mass.

Speaking recently to members of New England Catholic clubs, the Cardinal warned them against the Einstein theory of relativity as "befogged speculation producing universal doubt about God and his creation."

Such a theory, the Cardinal said, "cloaks a ghastly apparition of atheism."

Not a Polytheist.

Having received the Einstein reply (as above) to his query, the Rabbi Goldstein now expresses the view that Professor Einstein, by his positive acceptance of God, cannot be classified as an atheist or even an agnostic.

"Einstein points to a unity," says the Rabbi. "Einstein's theory, if carried out to a logical conclusion, would bring to mankind a scientific formula for monotheism."

"He does away with all thought of dualism or pluralism. He has no room for any aspect of polytheism."

Prof. Pringle-Pattison, in the "Encyclopaedia Britannica," writes: "Spinoza's philosophy is a thoroughgoing pantheism, which has both a naturalistic and a mystical side. The foundation of the system is the doctrine of one infinite substance, of which all finite existences are modes or limitations (modes of thought or modes of extension). God is thus the immanent cause of the universe; but of creation or will there can be no question in Spinoza's system. God is used throughout as equivalent to Nature."

## FAIR TO SHOWERY.

The Royal Observatory reports that pressure is now highest to the north-east of Japan. It is relatively low over China generally. A depression is situated between Koshu and Tokyo. The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—S.W. or variable winds, moderate; fair to showery.

## INSURANCE FIELD PROBLEMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

It is obvious that such a state of affairs cannot continue indefinitely but unfortunately no signs are yet to be discerned of any practical steps being taken to bring about that all round improvement to which all those concerned in the business have been anxiously looking forward for the past few years.

## Reductions in London.

To those of you who may be in the habit of observing the accounts of the leading British insurance companies, as published in the home papers, it will have been evident that the marine underwriting results of 1927 and last year have generally been most unsatisfactory. A considerable proportion of our premium income is derived from business written in the London market and, as I regret to say that our experience of it has been no more favourable than that of most of our competitors, after giving the matter careful consideration we have recently taken steps which will effect a substantial reduction in our London account and will, we hope, eliminate much of the business which has been found to be unprofitable without impairing the progress and the prosperity of the Company. This policy will be maintained until such time as results generally furnish ample evidence of a very marked improvement in conditions in the London market.

## Fall in Income.

Working account for the year 1928, after twelve months' working, shows a fall in premium income of approximately \$440,000 and the balance of \$1,837,848.86 carried forward is less by \$667,133.03 than that for the year 1927 at the same period. These decreases are due partly to the policy of curtailment, to which I have already referred, and also to exceptionally heavy losses through out the year, the total of these at 31st January 1928 exceeding that for 1927, after the same period of one year, by \$209,863.82.

The year 1928 has undoubtedly inflicted a number of unusually severe total losses upon underwriters generally, including those of the liners "Vestris" and "Celtic," the latter being by far the largest vessel that has been lost since the War. This account has yet another twelve months to run, however, and judging from the way things have been going from the end of last year to date, we are hopeful that, despite its inauspicious commencement, it may yet show a moderately satisfactory turnout when it has finally run off, taking into consideration the present unfavourable conditions of marine insurance business.

## Assets Show Lowering.

An analysis of the balance sheet shows that our assets as expressed both in Sterling and in Hongkong Dollars stand at a lower figure than a year ago, the item for "Agency Balances" accounting for this reduction, largely as result of our change of policy in London.

You will observe that the investment and exchange fluctuation account shows an increase of \$108,327.27, which is due to the improvement in the market values of both our gold and silver investments.

## Dividends Maintained.

Reinsurance fund is up by \$115,564.23 whilst underwriting suspense account is down by \$149,219.20.

The surplus to be dealt with is \$1,086,868.10, out of which has been paid an interim dividend of \$18 per share. We now recommend the payment of a final dividend of \$22 per share and the transfer of the balance, amounting to \$680,868.10, to underwriting suspense account to close 1927 and previous years. The balance of \$1,837,848.86 at credit of 1928 account allows of the payment of the usual interim dividend of \$18 for that year.

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This was seconded by Mr. D. V. Stevenson and carried unanimously.

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## INVITATION GOLF TOURNEY.

## HORTON SMITH RESISTS THE BOOMER CHALLENGE.

## SPLENDID SUCCESS.

Paris, May 22.

The commanding lead secured yesterday with the remarkable aggregate of 132 for thirty-six holes, practically established Horton Smith, the "boomer" American professional, as the winner of the \$500 Invitation Tournament at St. Cloud.

Requiring only ordinarily good golf to win, Horton Smith celebrated his 21st birthday to-day by further superb play, returning cards of 70 and 71, which gave him final figures of 273, an average of fifteen under fours.

There was just a remote possibility of a challenge when Aubrey Boomer, who is the professional at the St. Cloud course, returned, a card in the morning revealing the performance of almost superhuman golf. He went round in 61, eleven under fours, knocking seven strokes off his previous best for the course and five strokes off the record set by Horton Smith. His card read:

Out: 3 5 4 4 4 3 3 3 4—33

In: 3 4 3 3 3 2 4 3—28

In the afternoon, he went round in 71, and thus equalled Smith's aggregate of 132 for 36 holes, but falling five strokes short of the winner's score.

The leading scores were:

Horton Smith (U.S.A.) ..... 66 66 70 71—278

A. Boomer (St. Cloud) ..... 74 72 61 71—278

G. Barnes (U.S.A.) ..... 71 67 72—281

Other scores:

J. Farrell (U.S.A.) ..... 72 73 74 71—290

A. Horne (N.Y.) ..... 73 70 78—282

G. Matthews (London) ..... 73 75 74—289

W. Hauser (U.S.A.) ..... 70 72 72 70—294

J. Turnes (U.S.A.) ..... 70—294

—Reuter.

## FOREIGN SHAREHOLDERS.

## C.E.C. PROBLEM RECURS IN SWITZERLAND.

Zurich, Apr. 17.

The Motor-Columbus, one of the leading firms in the electric line, finds itself forced to take measures against foreign capitalists who are trying to get the majority of the shares. For this purpose they are now issuing 170,000 new shares, two-thirds of which must be in the hands of Swiss owners approved of by the board of directors. These shares of £2 each will have the same voting rights as the 170,000 £20 shares, but a very limited claim for dividends.

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## QUESTION OF BODY REMOVALS.

## SOLICITOR ESTABLISHES A COMMON PRACTICE.

Pleading an old practice, Mr. F. H. Loseby obtained the withdrawal of the case against a sampan woman, who was charged on remand before Major O. Wilson this morning, with removing the body of her infant child without a permit.

The child died on a sampan, and the mother, with the view to saving funeral expenses, removed the remains to a dispensary at Shaukiwan.

At this stage she came under police notice, questions being asked as to why she had not first taken out the necessary permit from the Sanitary authorities before moving the body, and also as to why it had been necessary for her to pay money to the person who took the body over.

For the defence, Mr. Loseby this morning said, it had become an established practice in outlying districts for bodies to be removed to such institutions as dispensaries, and that the payment of fee in such cases was customary, to ensure that the burial arrangements would be carried out and that the body would be treated with respect.

Mr. Loseby pointed out that if the woman had wanted to do so, she could have dumped the body overboard. "I think I have satisfied the Head of the Sanitary Department that what has been done in this case was in accordance with the practice of the Colony," Mr. Loseby added.

The case was dismissed.

## STREET FOUNTAIN SQUABBLE.

## THREE WOMEN BEFORE THE KOWLOON MAGISTRATE.

## GALLONS WASTED.

A fight at a street fountain in Shamshui po led to three women appearing before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate this morning. Two of them were alleged to have assaulted the third, while the complainant in the assault charge was accused of wasting four gallons of water.

The defendants admitted having had a fight, but stated that the complainant was the cause of the trouble by putting some dirty substance into the water.

The complainant was equally emphatic that the defendants were the originators of the trouble and denied the allegation that she had made the water dirty.

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In reply to his Worship, Sub-Inspector Hoare said there were no outside witnesses.

His Worship ordered all parties to be bound over in the sum of \$50 each to keep the peace for six months.

In respect of the more serious charge of wasting water, his Worship informed Sub-Inspector Hoare that the only two witnesses in the case were two women who were antagonists, whom he regarded as being prejudiced.

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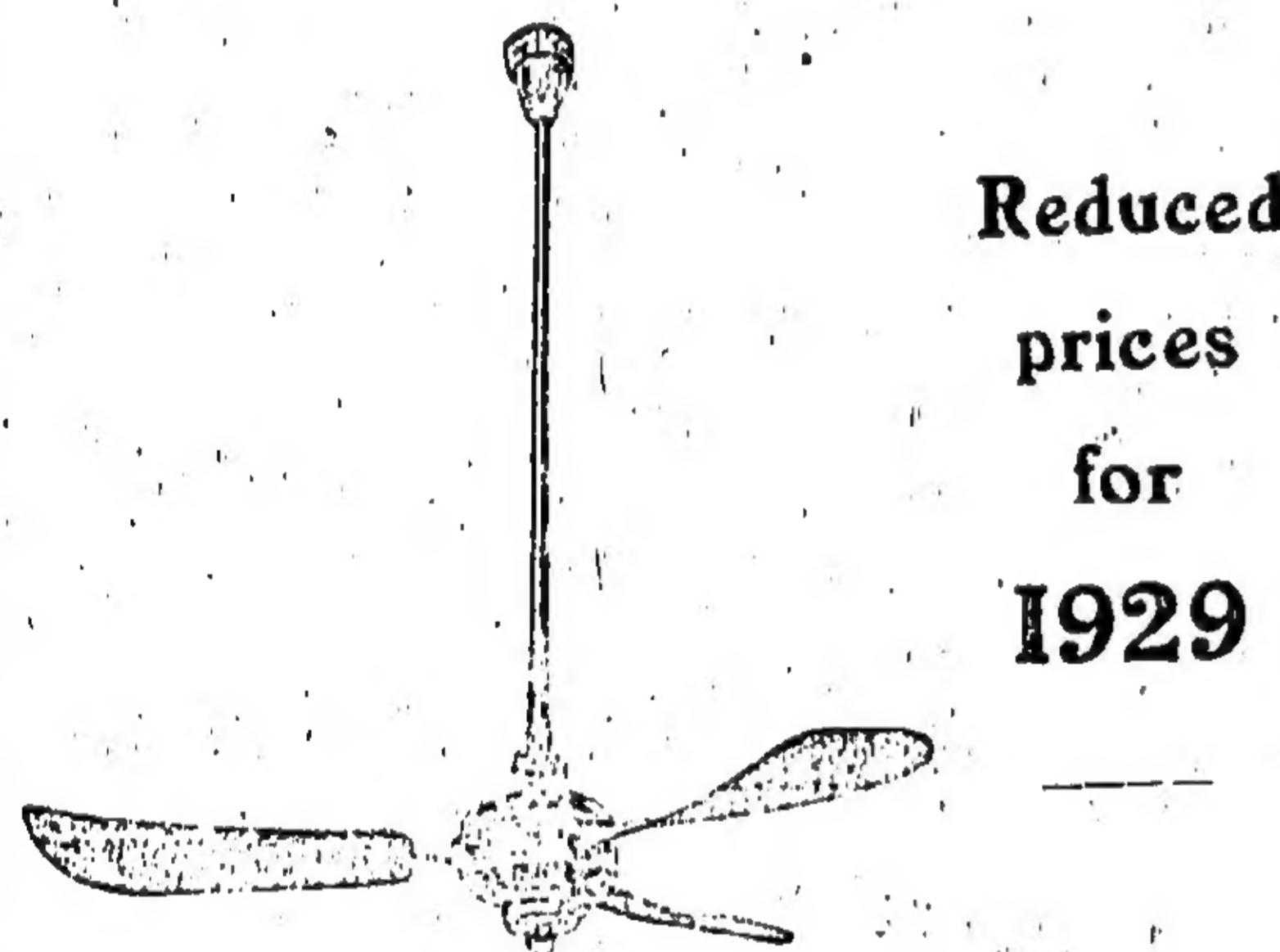
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### QUEEN'S COLLEGE BOXING.

#### INTERESTING BOUTS THIS MORNING.

In the school hall this morning, the students of Queen's College held a boxing tournament. The skill which they displayed and the manifest enjoyment of the competitors in every bout were in themselves not only a compliment to the school authorities for encouraging the boys in theistic art but also spoke volumes for the good work of Mr. "Kid" Marriott, the well-known local trainer, who has charge of the school gymnasium for the last few years. Besides the boxing events, there was a single-stick match between Bashir Ahmed, who has been champion of the school for the last two years, and O. R. Sadick, who won by the close margin of one point.

All the fights were over three two-minute rounds. Two boys from the lowest class of the school faced each other in the former event and a good fight was seen. Neither had much science, but were both game little 'uns. Li Hau-wai beating Chau Fook-yuen after a close fight.

The heavy-weight fight was good while it lasted! O. el Arculli showed himself no novice in the art and connected some good 'uns, his opponent throwing in the towel after a particularly hefty one in the first round.

Another fight which deserves to be mentioned was the light-weight bout between E. H. Esmail and Wong Hon-yeo. Even after an extra half-minute, no decision was reached, both retiring amid applause.

The following were the results:

Heavy Weight.—Wong Wing-nin (Class F 3C) beat F. Abbasi (Class 3 N.C.)

Light Weight.—E.H. Esmail (3 N.C.) drew with Wong Hon-yeo (C 3 B.)

Fly Weight.—Li Hau-wai (8 B) beat Chau Fook-yuen (8Z).

Single Stick Fencing.—O.R. Sadick (F 2B) beat Bashir Ahmed (P 1).

Welter Weight.—Ip Hon-Sun (4 B) beat Cheung To-hi (4 B).

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Welter Weight.—Pang Tit-chung beat Tong Tung-kai.

The following were as follows:

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Mrs. Edith Wilkinson, of Lanesgate, W., left £1,000 and her clothes to her maid, Annie Palmer, of Hartington-road, Brighton, in her service at her death.

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## DETECTIVE THRILLER!

## THE BLACK PIGEON.

By Anne Austin.

## CHAPTER XL.

Hello, Cap! Seen in the papers where my buddy, Harry Borden, got bumped off, and that you was anxious to have a chat with me. Anything I can do—Well, I guess you don't need me after all, Cap!" he broke off to exclaim when, on reaching Borden's desk and shaking hands with McMann, he got a view of the face of the woman whose back had been turned toward him as he entered the room. "So—you got him, did you? Minute my back was turned!"

"Just a moment, Bailey!" McMann interrupted sharply. "You identify this woman?"

"Sure I know her! Harry pointed her out to me not a week after he took me on to look after him. Jake, he says, 'take a good look at that woman and don't let her get any nearer to me than she is now, or you'll lose your job, Jake,' he says."

"When and where was this?" McMann interrupted impatiently.

"Now—lemon see!" Jake Bailey laid his pearl-grey derby on his dead employer's desk and scratched his head. "Must a-been long about the middle of November, for I had my last bout with Battlin' Demon on November tenth—a frame-up it was, too, Cap, I'll take my Bible oath! All right, Cap! Keep your shirt on!" he admonished the detective genially. "But you ast, didn't you? Well, it must a-been about the middle of November, then, and me and Harry was walkin' along the Avenoo when Harry pipes this dame gittin' off a bus. She make like she's gonna speak to him or bust, and then he says to me, Harry says—"

"Yes, you've already told that!" McMann interrupted impatiently. "Did she speak to him?"

"Say, Cap!" Jake Bailey grinned broadly. "Harry hopped off a taxi as quick I almost got left!"

"Did you ever see her again?"

"Sure! Christmas Eve. That bird that potter around Harry's apartment went to the bootlegger's downstairs and left the door unlocked, and first thing me and Harry knew—in the bedroom we was—there she was, no shame at all—busting in on a man what's changin' his clothes!"

"And did you come up with him?"

"Sure! Harry wouldn't go into his own office at night alone, if he could help it."

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"That's right!" McMann agreed, rather ungraciously. "He did not enjoy having been caught napping."

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"And did she have one?"

"No," the dead man's efficient bodyguard admitted. "Reckon she was after a picture of the kid she had in her bag. Had 'Merry Christmas' for my Dad' wrote on it."

"And did Borden later intimate to you that he feared this woman would kill him?"

"Sure!" came the emphatic answer in a cracking falsetto. "He said he'd a-swore she was gonna crack him that time, and he bet she'd do it yet!"

"Say!" Jake Bailey burst out, regardless of McMann's injunction.

A short, broad-shouldered man, his face composed of a set of battered unmatched features, on which a genial smile set oddly, swaggered into the room, his surprisingly fleetfoot greeting accompanying an enormous hand thrust out toward the detective in charge of the investigation into the murder of Henry P. Borden:

It was not a laugh this time that told that Jake Bailey's words had struck home. It was a long-drawn "Oh" of infinite misery, so heart-rending that Ruth Lester involuntarily leaned forward and patted those tight-locked hands whose message she had not yet had time to read.

"And after you knocked her out? McMann prodded his witness.

"Well, me and Harry fixed her up with some brandy, and I took her down and put her in a taxi. Paid for it, too," the ex-pugilist added virtuously.

Martha Manning raised her head then and stared steadily at the man who leaned nonchalantly against her dead lover's desk.

"But you were with Borden before you left?"

"Sure I was. I went with him to the Grillon, a swell feed joint, and waited outside while he ate with his new sweetie, that classy little dancer he picked up at the Golden Slipper. 'Bout half-past six it was when he met Rita there, and around eight when him and her come out. He put the frail in a taxi, and promised to see her at the Golden Slipper about 10, before her act went on at 11. She wouldn't let him drive over to her hotel with her—always acted pretty ritzy with him—that dame did. So him and me hopped into another cab and come on over to his office. Said he was doin' out a new scheme and wanted to work awhile before goin' to the Golden Slipper."

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**V.R.C. NEEDS.**

**INCREASE IN FEES PUT FORWARD.**

That the Victoria Recreation Club is in a bad way financially, the furniture is rotten, the comfort of the members is not looked after, and the Committee cannot help it as the Club has no funds, while the steward, secretary, and all the officials have done their best but cannot do much without monetary support—was the gist of the Chairman's remarks at the meeting of the Club last night.

"Something must be done" said the Chairman, "and that is why I intend to propose the resolution which will be put to the meeting to-night."

Mr. W. Logan presided at the meeting, as a member of the Committee, in the absence of the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, C.M.G., who had written stating that it was impossible for him to attend owing to prior engagements.

When the meeting opened Mr. Logan asked the members to stand in silence for a few seconds in memory of their late Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. G. Witchell, who died last year, and whose efforts on behalf of the Club had earned for him the gratitude of all.

The Chairman remarked that the Club buildings, according to the annual report, were in a fair state of repair, and were, as far as could be ascertained, free from white ants and dry rot, but they were in need of a great deal of paint, and so forth. The swimming bath was in good repair and the motor pump has apparently given no trouble since it was overhauled by the Dock Company. The Dock overhauled the plant last August.

The swimming during the year was distinctly above the average, and incomparably better than that displayed by any other Club or organization in the Colony. Four local records were set or broken.

**Not in Doubt.**

Mr. Logan next stated, "Although the Club is in a very bad way financially we are not in debt. As a matter of fact we have in the circumstances, carried on very successfully. There are several Clubs in Hongkong which are not nearly so successful. They are in debt and we are not. But apart from that we are in a different position. There is much to be done with our premises. The loss on our year's working is practically nothing, but we have to consider the future. We are fortunate that we have not lost money. But apart from all that, we want to show a profit—working profit."

The adoption of the report and accounts was seconded by Mr. P. W. Ramsay and carried.

**Proposed New Rules.**

There was some discussion regarding the proposed new rules. The first proposal was that the monthly subscription be \$3 instead of \$2 for visitors; the next that the subscriber for residents should be \$3 per month instead of \$20 per annum, payable in advance; and another that members if they have not paid their subscriptions for the previous month should be posted on the notice board. Hitherto it had been the custom only to post such members prior to the annual general meeting.

A change in Rule 19 was also proposed that a member be responsible for his subscription only up to the end of the month in which he resigns.

It was ultimately decided that the proposals should be put into operation for one year.

A member suggested the popularity of the Club, by having "lady members" holding "fetes" etc. The Chairman pointed out the absence of funds and lack of a proper ballroom.

It was remarked that fêtes did not pay. A fête in the ordinary course of events cost the Club \$200.

Mr. Cooke asserted, "The Club fees have not been increased since 1913. It is the cheapest Club—for what you get—in Hongkong. Where can you get another Club like this?"

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4—The order of letters cannot be changed.

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**DETECTIVE STABBED.**

**PEDESTRIAN WOUNDED BY ARMED MAN.**

Sentences of four months' hard labour on each charge were imposed by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on a Chinese who was alleged to have stabbed a Chinese detective in the hip and to have resisted arrest when a pedestrian went to the officer's assistance.

It was alleged in evidence that the detective who was on duty in Canton Road on May 2 met three men whom he desired to search. The men resisted and the defendant, using a knife or dagger stabbed the officer in the hip. He was chased and a pedestrian took up the pursuit but the latter was stabbed in the arm in endeavouring to apprehend the defendant. No weapon, however, could be found.

According to the defendant he was not aware that the first complainant was a detective. He denied that he used a dagger but stated that he was attacked and he used a bunch of keys to resist his assailant.

After hearing the evidence his Worship sentenced the defendant to eight months' hard labour.

**LOCAL RADIO.**

**TO-DAY'S BROADCAST PROGRAMME.**

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Government Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 350 metres.

1.48 p.m. Weather Report.

5.30-6.30 p.m. Programme of Chinese Music (Beka Records supplied through the courtesy of Messrs. Canton Trading Association, Ltd.).

7.48 p.m. Evening Weather Report.

8 p.m. Evening Programme of Chinese Music, relayed from the Roof Garden of Messrs. The Sincere Co., Ltd.

10.30 p.m. Close Down.

Voting for officers then took place, the following being appointed for the ensuing year—Chairman, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn; Hon. Secretary, Mr. H. J. Stewart; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. Hyndman; Committee, Messrs. W. Logan, A. F. Silva Netto, J. A. R. Soares, A. A. Alves, J. J. Edgar, S. A. Marco, J. R. Johnstone, F. W. T. Ross and E. E. Wilson.

London, May 22.

Cragadour's trainer states that the horse had a strong gallop this morning, the work being in every way satisfactory, and the horse now being quite all right.—Reuter.

**INTERPORT TENNIS.**

**KHO AND ONG IN ACTION AT C.R.C.**

If the large crowd of tennis enthusiasts who turned up at the Chinese Recreation Club's ground yesterday afternoon to witness the unofficial Chinese interport tennis matches expected to see exceptionally good tennis, they were doomed to disappointment. If M. W. Lo had been opposed to Kho Hoo-hye and Ng Sze-kwong to Ong Ee-kong, instead of the first playing the last named, the spectators would have received more value for their money.

The reason for the tennis not being up to championship standard was that both of yesterday's matches were one-sided affairs. Lo showed his superiority over Ong in an uncertain manner, winning in straight sets, while Kho did likewise against Ng Sze-kwong.

A great deal has been heard of these two Straits players, but only Kho justified his reputation, Ong being disappointing. Kho has represented China in the Far Eastern games, and is certainly one of the best Chinese tennis players at present. He played like a champion yesterday. The feature of his match against Ng Sze-kwong being his terrific forehand drives, which almost every time beat his opponent, who was rather slow on the move.

M. W. Lo v Ong Ee-kong.

The first game yesterday was between M. W. Lo, the local champion, and Ong Ee-kong, the former winning by 6-1 and 6-2. Ong's service was inconsistent. Besides serving several double faults, his service was extremely weak and he appeared to have very little control over it at times hitting the ball out of the court.

Lo was steady and at times brilliant. He was content to let his opponent make all the mistakes, and found this policy paid. He played a base-line game throughout, making few volleys at the net. Whenever he did, honours were fairly even, Ong passing him at times with some well-placed shots.

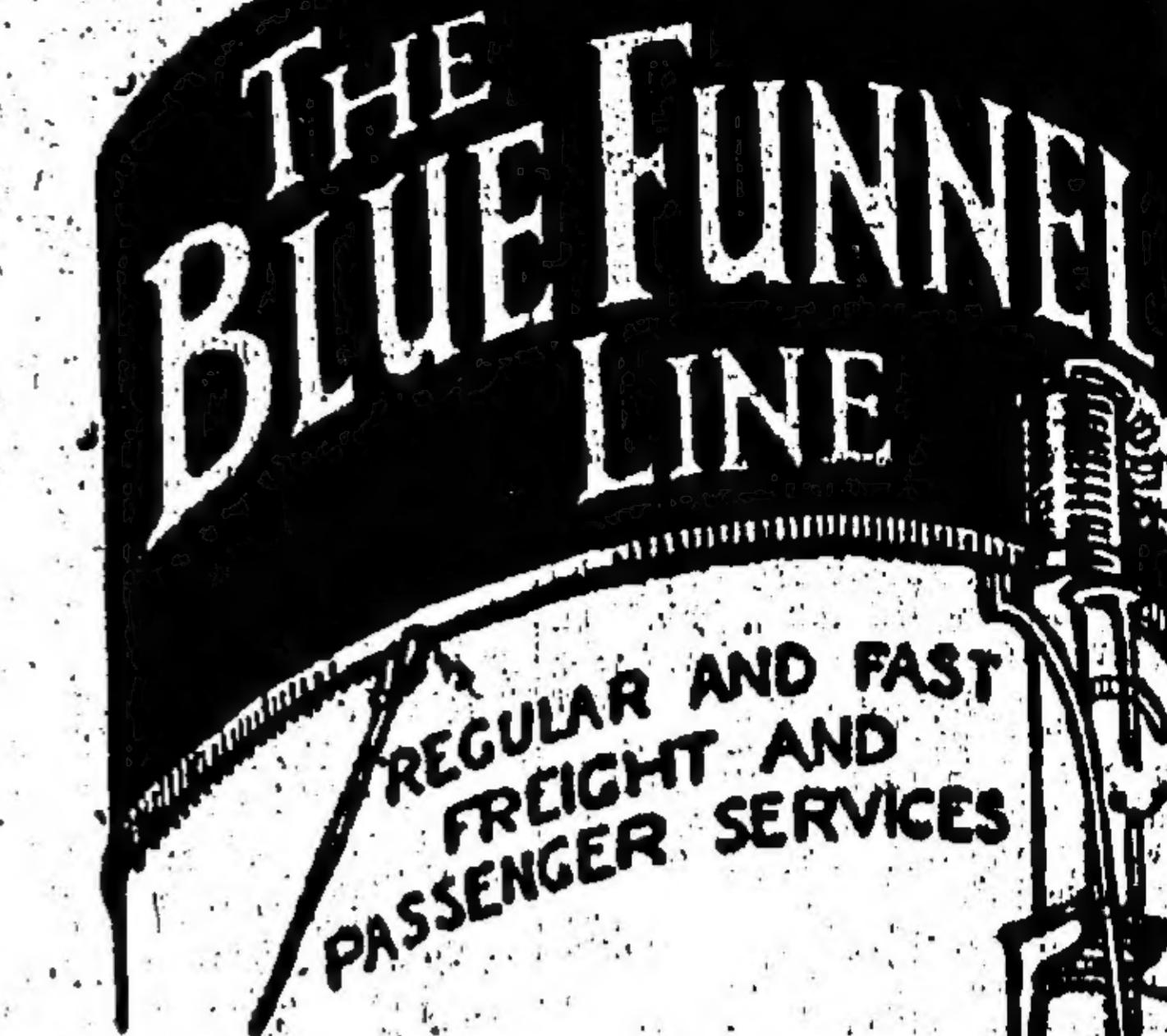
So far as could be seen, Ong was very strong in the backhand, which he used to advantage. He was on the aggressive throughout, but was very erratic; indeed, the whole match was characterised by hard hitting on his part. Lo was evidently the more experienced of the two, but Ong made up to some extent by his activity.

**Straits Champion.**

Kho's magnificent forehand drives delighted the spectators in his match with Ng Sze-kwong, the visitor winning by 6-0 and 6-3. Ng Sze-kwong was dead out of form in the first set. Kho's consistency bringing the score to 6-0. Ng Sze-kwong showed glimpses of his old form in the second set, however, and started off well by winning the first two games. All anticipated a close struggle, but Kho won the next three straight off the reel. By some brilliant play, Ng won the next to bring the score to 3-4 in favour of Kho, who annexed the next games and the set and match.

In view of Kho's performance yesterday, tennis enthusiasts should be eager to see how he fares against M. W. Lo to-morrow. He is an exceptionally fine tennis player, and the match should produce a keen struggle.

Ong and Kho will again be seen in action at the C.R.C. ground this afternoon, when they will be partners in a doubles match against Ng Sze-kwong and M. W. Lo. Play is scheduled to commence at 4.30 p.m.



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From UNITED KINGDOM via  
SINGAPORE.are hereby notified that their cargo  
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Wharf Kowloon, where it will lie at  
Consignee's risk and subject to terms  
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## CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

JAVA PACIFIC LINN.  
From SEATTLE, SAN FRANCISCO  
and LOS ANGELES.The Steamship,  
"BINTANG",  
having arrived from the above ports,  
consignee of cargo by her are  
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whence and/or from the wharves  
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Arrived Hongkong on Tuesday,  
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also cargo from La Palice, Bordeaux,  
Cognac Sc., ex/s "ROLLON" and  
cargo from London ex/s "Sl-Kiang".Consignees of cargo by the above  
named steamer are hereby informed  
that their goods with the exception  
of Opium, Treasure and Valuables  
are being landed and placed at their  
risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong  
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Kowloon, whence delivery can be  
obtained as the goods are landed.Goods not cleared within 7 days  
including date of arrival, will be  
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Thursday the 30th May, 1929, or they  
will not be recognized.Damaged packages must be left in  
the Godowns for examination by the  
consignee, and the Company's Surveyor  
Masters Godard & Douglas at  
10:00 a.m. on Monday the 27th May,  
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No fire insurance will be effected  
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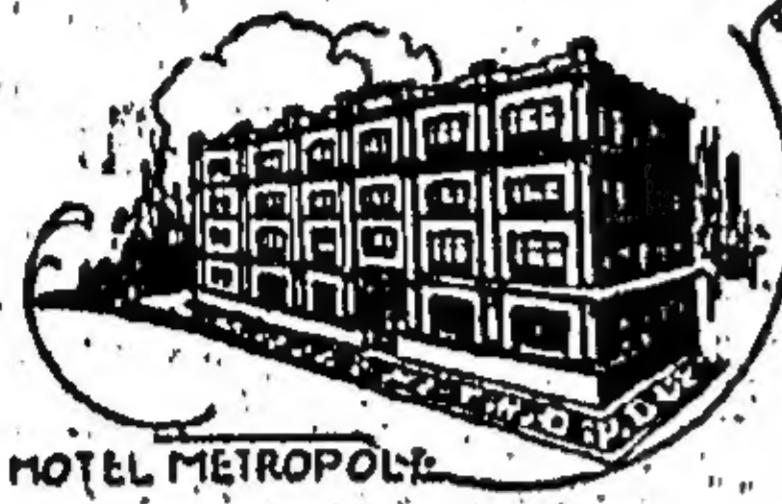
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### U.S. SOUTH CHINA PATROL.

#### THE MINDANAO ARRIVES AT CANTON.

Canton, May 22.

The U.S.S. Mindanao arrived in port last night from the North via Hongkong.

The Mindanao is one of the recent gunboats built for the American Navy, in Shanghai. Three have been built for the Yangtze and two for the South China Patrol. The Guam has already been here several months, having replaced the Pampanga last autumn.

The Mindanao is very similar to the Guam in design, though considerably bigger. She will probably be the flag ship of the South China Patrol. As a matter of fact, Captain Decker who has been in command of the Tulsa, was to have handed over to Captain Logan of the Mindanao some days ago.

The Tulsa was supposed to be going to Manila to pay off, but owing to political unrest in the province, she is remaining in South China until things are a little more settled. At the moment she is at Swatow. —Our Own Correspondent.

### LATEST ELECTION CONTROVERSY.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Mr. Philip Snowden, speaking at Morley, said he would like to remind Sir Herbert Austin of the existence of the Emergency Powers Act, which empowers the Government to deal drastically with anybody conspiring to interfere with trade.

The Conservative papers have taken up Mr. Dennis' reply to Sir Herbert Austin and elect to see in his statement a new menace of nationalisation.

Sir Herbert Austin, interviewed last night, declared, "Of course we would not close without a struggle but if, and when we shut down it will be because our business is ruined. It is too nonsensical for the Labour candidate to ask electors to believe that his party propose going round the country buying up ruined motor-car businesses."

London, May 23.

Sir Herbert Austin, shown a report of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's speech, remarked:—"I seem to be causing Mr. MacDonald a lot of worry. I shall certainly reply when I have carefully studied the nature of his allegations." —Reuter.

#### Liberal Hopes.

The most interesting Liberal speech to-day was made by Viscount Grey at Alnwick. He said he was convinced that the Liberal vote would be vastly increased, adding that even 200 Liberal M.P.s would be enough to save the country from the twin evils of Conservative Protection and Socialists reckless expenditure. —Reuter.

### BANVARD COMEDY COMPANY.

#### SUCCESS OF "THE BEST PEOPLE."

The Banvard Comedy Company opened their season at the Theatre Royal last night with "The Best People," a comedy which was splendidly acted.

Briefly, the play was one centring round the love affairs of the two children of an aspiring mother, who, instead of taking to the "best people," display (in her estimation) a perverted taste by the one forming an attachment with a chorus girl and the other with a honest-to-goodness chauffeur.

The play is one offering possibilities of considerable humour, and this has been fully developed by the author. As the result, the production, which had an uninterrupted run of 100 nights at the Lyric Theatre has been warmly received wherever staged, and last night's performance was no exception.

The play was well-acted and thoroughly enjoyed.

To-night, the Company offer "The Ringer."

#### WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following is the disposition of warships now in port:  
Busin.—H.M.S. Tamar.  
S. W. Busin.—Submarine L.16.  
W. W. Dock.—H.M.S. Cornwall.  
In dock.—H.M. ships Bruce, Somme and Sirdar.  
No. 8 Buoy.—H.M.S. Corysfort.  
Foreign.—Chinese cruisers Ying Swel, Kwang Yuan, Chu Tai and Hui Hu.

### LATEST PLAN ON REPARATIONS.

#### NEW MEMORANDUM TO GERMANY.

### AGEN WANTS A REST FROM GOLF.

#### CRIMES OFF CHALLENGE WITH COMPSTON.

Paris, May 22.

Walter Hagen, who competed in the St. Cloud tournament, stated he will be unable to fulfil his engagement to meet Archie Compston at Moor Park on May 31 and Birmingham on June 1. He said, "I am very tired. I require a rest." Hagen added, "I have had a strenuous time, and could not do justice to myself or the public by going on with the matches against Compston. I regret it very much, but what more can I do? I shall go to Germany, afterwards to the south of France, before returning to America in about a week's time."

Robert Harlow, Hagen's manager, stated he was quite willing to provide as substitute Joe Turnea, the winner of the Thousand Guinea tournament last week. —Reuter.

#### STIFF FIGHT AHEAD.

London, May 22. According to Press telegrams from Paris, the Allied Delegation met this morning and at noon presented a Memorandum to the German Delegation indicating conditions of payment of the average annuity offered by Germany of Mks. 2,050,000,000, plus Mks. 25,000,000 asked by Belgium as reimbursement for marks lost in Belgium.

It is explained that it is understood that the twenty-two last years of the German annuities will cover the Inter-Allied Debts, and secondly, will make an immediate contribution to the International Bank.

#### Payments in Kind.

The Memorandum also mentions how the benefits of the International Bank should be divided, and the conditions under which payment in kind should be made in future.

According to the present plan, Germany will only have to pay this year Mks. 1,750,000,000.

In regard to conditions of payments in kind to the International Bank, a scale of new payments is included, which is slightly different from that proposed by Germany, although the average of Mks. 2,050,000,000 is preserved. —British Wireless.

#### Follows Mr. Young's Plan.

A Reuter's Paris message to hand this morning on the same subject states that the creditor nations have presented a Memorandum to the German Delegation agreeing that Germany should pay an average annuity of Mks. 2,050,000,000 plus reimbursement to Belgium for marks issued during the Germany occupation.

This is virtually identical with Mr. Owen D. Young's plan, for the Labour candidate to ask electors to believe that his party propose going round the country buying up ruined motor-car businesses.

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